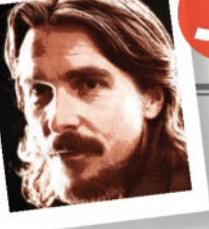


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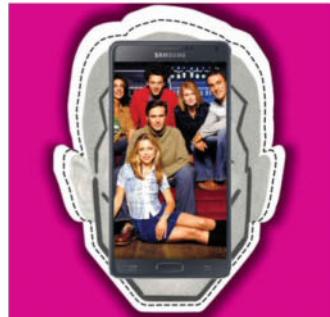


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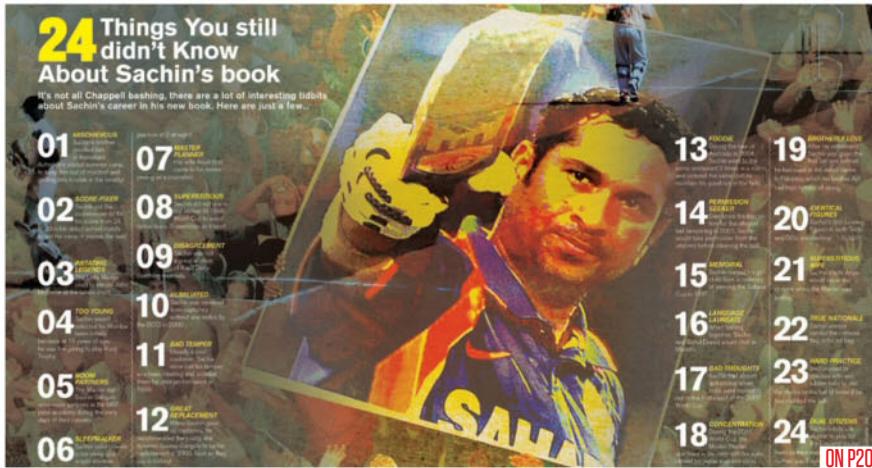
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Fact is, apart from deciphering Mathew McConaughey's drawl first in True Detective and then in Interstellar and watching most of the matches for the World Cup drinking craft beer and swearing off God Men – we really haven't managed to accomplish much in 2014. Sure, there were one or two occasions when it seemed like there would be a larger purpose to things, like that time we got obsessed with India's Mars Mission. Or that other time when the corruption in Indian cricket made us post vitriolic tweets in lazy grammar. But that enthusiasm had waned by the time coffee got over.

But the one thing that we can say without a shadow of a doubt is that 2014 was the year when The Geek Got Sexy. Which is why we've put together a kick ass round up this issue and an Upgrade Girlfriend who rocks the pants off The Geek in nerdy glasses (page 114). We've also put together a smashing feature on the holy land of Geeks – the Google office (page 50).

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Not satisfied with her, we've started overhauling our tech pages – in the market for a phone bigger than your face? Turn to page 95 to see what we've done with them. We also made a House of Cards (page 110) built entirely out of iPhones and one screwdriver and rated the best launchers for your phone (page 104). Not really sure what a launcher is? Then you definitely need to read this. We've also hunted down and reviewed three games we have been waiting for this year (page 34) and yes while we were at it, we also pitched Kate Upton from Game Of War and Emily Rostowski from Call of Duty in a video game gal shoot out (page 36).

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# What separates men from boys?

## Ink.

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*T*his was a gracious world at some stage.

Well before technology reared its ugly face.

For once it did, it did in the niceties of life.

Well, mostly.

People now text.

You invite people for a meal on Whatsapp.

You Snapchat a wedding card.

How inglorious is it all.

Mercifully, boys do that more often. Not men.

No sir, men are still simmering in the cauldron of civility.

Men write.

Not with dreadful objects such as ball point pens or the roller ball types

Men use ink.

They clean their pens with lukewarm water. Always employing  
a muslin cloth. They gently shine the nibs.

They then proceed to dip the instrument in a bottle of ink.

While it guzzles the dye, they whip out paper with pedigreed GSM  
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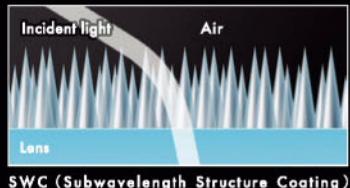
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# MANASVI

**IT'S  
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coming  
to a  
theatre

She isn't just smouldering hot, Manasvi is also a champion skater AND a trained dancer. Wow!

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**F**irst things first, Manasvi Mamgai is currently the talk of the town, thanks in part to one particular song – Gangster Baby. A song in which a studded bra, biker jacket Manasvi Mamgai stands tall atop high heels firing bullets in the air. Almost like Yosemite Sam only a much hotter female version of him, if he was a woman and had legs till his ears. If you saw Manasvi six months ago when she was modelling and now, you'd be surprised by her suddenly curvaceous figure as opposed to the regulation model figure. And you should be, as she told

hacks during a recent interview, she drank 7 glasses of banana milkshake a day to put on weight for Action Jackson.

**Hi, Manasvi. There has been a lot of buzz around Gangster Baby. Did you anticipate such a response?**

I never imagined myself looking so hot and sexy in the song. I was very apprehensive about how the song will come out. But when I saw it, I just couldn't stop swooning.

**So, how do you rate yourself in the item song?**

How can I rate myself? You tell me how was it. 12 maybe.

**We saw that you are trying to woo Ajay in the song. Did you succeed?**  
Yes, I guess so (Giggles).

**The film has three heroines including you. The other two - Sonakshi Sinha and Yami Gautam - are well established. How did you feel being a newbie?**

Yes, at first I was wondering whether to do the film or not. Being a multi-starrer, I

 **Manasvi's life this month**



Will be seen opposite Ajay Devgn in Action Jackson



Shoots are a good time to hangout with friends



Birthday wishes for friends



Found a long lost friend

WHO  
SHE?

**Age:** 27  
**From:** Nainital  
**Likes:** Skating, Travelling, Beaches and Pets  
**Twitter:**  
@manasvimapgai  
**Instagram:**  
@manasvimapgai



### QUICK FIRE ROUND

**Friends or Game of Thrones?**

Definitely, Game of Thrones

**Oversized tee or short skirt?**

Short skirt

**Stay in or go out?**

Go out

**Golmaal 1,2 or 3?**

Golmaal 2

thought what my role would be. But then I said let's do it. So I went for it. And now when I see the end product – it just all seems to fit together.

**Considering you are the hottest of the three, was there any on-set rivalry? No catfights?**

Thank you for calling me hot. Yami and Sonakshi are very different from each other. There was no competition among us. So there was no chance for a catfight. It all went down well. Sonakshi is a very good actress. She is very sweet and we have become buddies. Even Yami was all supportive during the film. They never made me feel uncomfortable.

**What are you doing in Action Jackson? What's your role?**

I am not going to tell you much about the movie. But all I can say is that I have a very important role. Actually it is around me that the story revolves. I am the driving force of Action Jackson.

**Tell us something about yourself?**

I am from Nainital but not a Pahari. I was born in Delhi. But we shifted to Chandigarh and I did my schooling from there. I won multiple awards for my dancing. I am a skating champion as well. Then I shifted to Mumbai to pursue my modelling dreams.



**“ DATE? HOW ABOUT SCUBA DIVING? CLICHES DON’T WORK FOR ME ”**

**So, from Miss India to Bollywood? Following some footsteps, huh?**

Yes, Priyanka Chopra and Aishwarya Rai are like my idols. I would definitely want to be as successful as they are. They have reached heights in Bollywood and I want to emulate them.

**What is your dream date?**

My dream date shouldn't be anything cliched. If anyone wants to woo me, he has to take me on a sporty date. It shouldn't be boring. Some activity, water sport or something like that. You know, even lying down on grass and watching the stars can be a date.

**So, no candle-light dinner?**

NO. NEVER. I hate these cliches. Like I said, new experiences excite me. Going to the hill stations for some sport will be so thrilling.

**What about your dream man?**

My dream man should be hard-working, cool, humorous. He should be everything!

**So you are not an easy catch?**

No. Definitely not. I am very particular.

**So what about beaches? Do you like going to beaches?**

Yes, I love water. I am a scuba diver as well. I go to beaches for holidays and to get refreshed.

**Who is your favourite actor?**

Ajay Devgn...

**...Scoring some brownie points?**

No, no. It is not because he is my first hero that I am praising him. He is super cool. He is very hard-working and gives his 100 percent in every shot. I like Hrithik Roshan as well. He is a fabulous dancer.

**You are not socially very active? We don't see much of you on Twitter or Facebook.**

Yes, I am not very active on social networking sites. But for the past 6 months, I have been trying to be in touch with my fans through Twitter and Instagram.

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# NEWS



## BRITAIN'S FIRST HYPNO-DOG

Meet Princess, the only dog in Britain who can put a spell on you and hypnotise you. The 4-year-old German Spitz has shot to fame with the power of putting humans under her spell. The talented puppy even performs on stage and is a skilled hypno artist. Her owner, Krystyna Lennon is qualified in hypnotism herself.

The dog's unique skills see her making people fall asleep. However, dogs naturally possess this 'power' to be able to hypnotise their prey. But Mrs. Lennon believes that it is Princess' one of a kind ability to perform such skills.

three years in a parking lot in Birmingham. The car, abandoned since 2011, has no taker as the unlocked black C Class Mercedes has now raked up 14,000 pounds as parking charges.

It seems that an absent minded driver forgot his car in the multi-story parking lot. Many failed attempts have been made in the past 3 years to contact the car owner. The

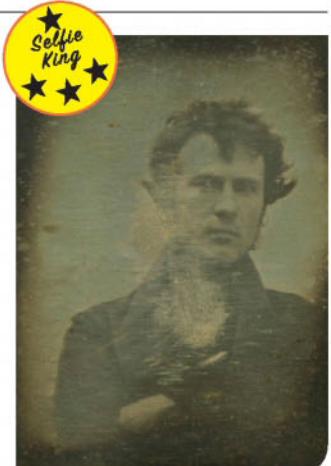
## ABANDONED MERCEDES COSTS 14,000 POUNDS AS PARKING CHARGE

A mysterious Mercedes is in an abandoned state for the past

police have confirmed that the car is not stolen or reported missing. The company which owns the parking has now contacted the city council to have the car removed from the premises.

## BIZZARE EXCUSE

A 23-year-old college boy was arrested for having sex with a sheep. And the excuse he gave for such a heinous act will make you go WTF! The Boy admitted that he had gone to the university's barn after a night of heavy drinking because he was under pressure with a big exam coming up. The student was arrested after one of his friends called the police after hearing strange noises from the nearby livestock shelter. The 5th year computer engineering student, charged with bestiality, claimed that he planned to beat some cows but later indulged in sex to let off his pressure.



## 175 YEAR OLD SELFIE

No front facing camera, no high mega pixels and no fake pouts! This man from Philadelphia took world's first selfie in 1839. Robert Cornelius took the self-portrait in his father's shop. Robert sat in front of the camera for 5 minutes for the still picture. The Dutch immigrant's son went on to become a photographer and later ran his father's business to make it the largest lighting company in the US.



## MUTANT 2-HEADED GOAT

Mutants are just not in the X-Men series. In China, a farmer's goat gave birth to a two-headed baby goat. Since the birth, billy has emerged as an object of interest for many people. Villagers come from far away to see the new-born and confirm the story of two heads. The farmer, Xu Jinkui has been offered huge sum of money to sell it, but Xu considers it his lucky charm.



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# JOKES

## ACCESS

### BAD PICKUP LINES

"Interesting fact, kissing burns 6.4 calories a minute. Wanna workout?"

#### HORSE RIDE

Jack marched into 'John's Stable' looking to buy a horse. "Listen here," said John, "I've got just the horse you're looking for, the only thing is, he was trained by an interesting fellow. He doesn't go and stop the usual way. The way to get him to stop is to scream 'hey hey'. And the way to get him to go is to scream 'Thank God.'

Jim nodded his head, "fine with me, can I take him for a test run?"

Jim was having the time of his life, this horse sure could run, he thought to himself. Jim was speeding down the dirt road when he suddenly saw a cliff up ahead, "Stop!" screamed Jim, but the horse kept on going. No matter how much he tried he could not remember the words to get it to stop. "Yoyoi!" screamed Jim but the horse just kept on speeding ahead. It was 5 feet from the cliff when Jim suddenly remembered "Hey hey!" Jim screamed.

The horse skidded to a halt just 1 inch from the cliff. Jim could not believe his good fortune, he looked up to the sky, raised his hands in the air, breathed a deep sigh of relief and said with conviction, "Thank God."

#### CAR TROUBLE

Five Englishmen arrive at the Italian border in an Audi Quattro. The Italian Customs agent stops them and says, "It's illegal to put five people in a Quattro."

"What do you mean it's illegal?" ask the Englishmen.

"Quattro means 'four,'" replies the Italian official.

"Quattro is just the name of the automobile," the Englishmen retort



## WORK AND CHILDREN

Four Husbands are at the lobby waiting for the nurse to tell them about the babies their wives gave birth to. The nurse walks up to the first man and says: Congratulations your wife gave birth to twins! The man says: That's odd, because I work at a restaurant called 2 cities. The nurse walks up to the second man and says: Congratulations your wife gave birth to triplets! The man

says: That's weird because I work at a factory called 3 continents. The nurse walks up to the third guy and says: Congratulations your wife gave birth to Quadruplets! The man says: That's very odd, because I work at the four seasons hotel! The fourth man starts crying. One of the men says: What's wrong? The fourth man responds: I work at 7up..

disbelievingly. "Look at the papers: this car is designed to carry five persons."

"You can't pull that one on me," replies the Italian customs agent. "Quattro means 'four'. You have five people in your car and you are therefore breaking the law."

The Englishmen reply angrily, "You idiot! Call your supervisor over – we want to speak to someone with more intelligence!"

"Sorry," responds the Italian official, "he can't come. He's busy with two guys in a Fiat Uno."

#### INTELLIGENT FATHER

A girl was with her father when she saw her boyfriend coming.

GIRL: Have you come to collect your book titled "DADDY IS HOME?" by Ngozi Okafor.

BOY: No, I want our book of hymns called "WHERE SHOULD I WAIT FOR YOU?"

GIRL: I don't have that one... may be you should take the other one "UNDER THE MANGO TREE".

BOY: Fine, but don't forget to bring "I WILL CALL YOU IN 5 MINS" while coming to school...

Then;

DAD: These are too many books, will he read all of them?

GIRL: Yes dad, he is very smart.

DAD: Okay, don't forget to give him the one on the table titled, "I AM NOT STUPID, I UNDERSTOOD EVERYTHING YOU'VE BEEN SAYING."

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## Horror of horrors

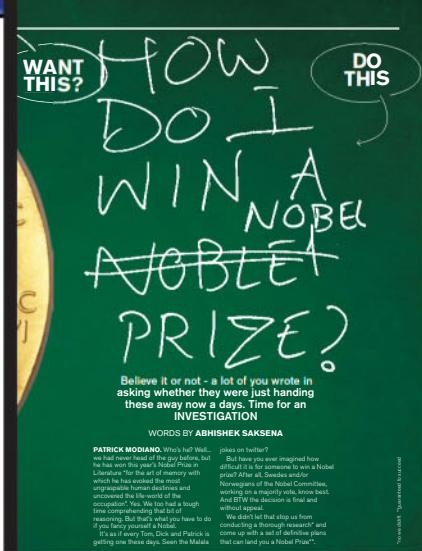
FHM has officially ruined horror movies for me. I was a big Ramsay Brothers fan and a horror movie buff till I read your November issue. It's funny how I never saw the real message in them, now they all feel like comedies to me. Still, at least I got to learn something useful. Now I have started eating apples on a daily basis and just got an X-ray done. The good news is, I'm not possessed, and hopefully it'll stay that way. And just in case, I have found a tantrik and stored his number on the speed dial.

**Gaurav Jha, Bhopal**

We're glad we were able to lead you in the right direction. Do share the tantrik's number, will ya? We haven't been able to find a decent one yet.

## I want a Nobel too

First up congratulations on the seventh anniversary. Great issue, and the story that really stood out was the one on Nobel Prizes. With such high profile news, it's easy to get carried away with the torrent of one-sided news and not see the other side of the story. But trust FHM to do just that. I was able to identify a lot of those 'laureates' and it's surprising how



WANT THIS? DO THIS

## HOW DO I WIN A NOBEL PRIZE?

Believe it or not - a lot of you wrote in asking whether they were just handing these away now a days. Time for an INVESTIGATION

WORDS BY ABHISHEK SAKSENA

PATRICK MODIANO, Who in Hell... we had never heard of the guy before, but he's been awarded the 2014 Nobel Literature "for the art of memory with which he has evoked the most ungraspable human destinies and uncoverable pasts". What does that even mean? Well, he's had a tough time competing, though. "I have had a tough time competing", he says. "I have had a tough time competing. But that's not the point. I am not competing with Patrick. I am competing with myself. And Patrick is getting one these days. Seem the Malala

jokes on twitter? But have you ever imagined how many people have been awarded a Nobel prize? After all, Sweden and the Norwegian of the Nobel Committee, the Royal Swedish Academy, are the ones that do the awarding. And BTW the decision is final and cannot be appealed.

We didn't let that stop us from conducting a thorough research\* and here are the 10 most interesting people that can land you a Nobel Prize\*.

\*We are not guaranteeing that you will land a Nobel Prize.

some undeserving people have been awarded, supposedly the most important awards in the world. And to think that people like Mahatma Gandhi never got one is the worst. Unfortunately I don't see things changing anytime soon.

**Raghav Basil, New Delhi**

Thanks for the wishes. But don't be disheartened. You can get one too if you follow our advise.

## From twitter

**Batiatus @batiatus25 (Nov 22)**

@fhmindia She's in for the long haul....watch out !!!

**David Coughlin @DaveyCoughlin (Nov 10)**

@fhmindia the BEST thing I've seen ALL YEAR!! Wow @SukkiSingapore #SukkiFHM A-MA-ZING!

**Choudhary Yogesh @ChoudharyYoges (Nov 2)**

@fhmindia @eshagupta2811 hottttttttt hot hottttttttttt



Letter of the month

## Esha time

What a way to celebrate your seventh birthday. Esha Gupta set the issue on fire and it was nice to see a cover girl who had her feet on the ground. Not that others didn't, just that Esha came across as the no-nonsense sort. Bet she gets it from her military upbringing. And I must say, FHM did well to feature Andria D'souza. There are so many hot women bollywood that it's difficult to keep track of them all. Thanks to you guys, we don't have to.

**Ankur Chaudhary, Mumbai**

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# LEVEL UP YOUR GAMING

How to make your next PlayStation marathon infinitely cooler...

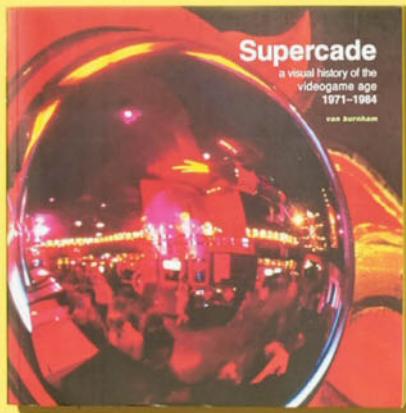


#### WEAR WITH PRIDE

Sheffield-based Drop Dead's capsule collection with Sega Mega Drive is quite possibly the best collaboration we've seen. *Drop Dead Golden Axe*, Rs 4,350, [dropdead.co](http://dropdead.co)

#### TRIP ON NOSTALGIA

Give your square peepers a break from the screen and wrap them around this 8-bit eye-porn from history's greatest video games. *Supercade: A Visual History Of The Videogame Age*, Rs 2,606, [amazon.co.uk](http://amazon.co.uk)

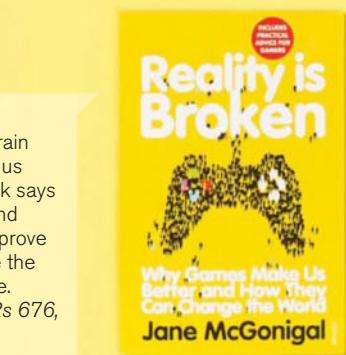


#### ARGUE IT OUT

Games turn your brain to mush and make us all killers? This book says "to hell with that" and proves they can improve our lives, and make the world a better place. *Reality Is Broken: Why Games Make Us Better and How They Can Change the World*, Jane McGonigal, Rs 676, [amazon.co.uk](http://amazon.co.uk)

#### ILLUMINATE THIS

Chase the shadows away when your 'just 10 more minutes' turns into an accidental all-nighter. *Pac-Man Ghost Lamp*, Rs 3,383, [firebox.com](http://firebox.com)



#### FRESHEN UP

A 200 killstreak is going to achieve two things: record adrenaline levels and sweaty balls. Get rid of your stink with these cool Game Boy cartridge soaps. *Game Boy Cartridge Soaps*, Rs 869, [firebox.com](http://firebox.com)

**GET CUTE**  
How adorable is this lightning-belching, huge-mouthed, pain-dispensing Cacodemon from the *Doom* series? Awww! *Doom Cacodemon Plush*, Rs 1,643, [gamerabilia.co.uk](http://gamerabilia.co.uk)



**CHOW DOWN**  
No need to dick about when it comes to the munchies. You need it fast, easy, meaty and damn delicious; this premium snacking salami will do the job. *Serious Pig Snacking Salami*, Rs 1,740 for 12, [seriouspig.co.uk](http://seriouspig.co.uk)





### APPRECIATE THE ART

Honour the greatest stealth game ever with a monstrous 25 issues of ace artwork from celebrated pencil-wranglers Rufus Dayglo and Ashley Wood. *Metal Gear Solid*, Rs 5,415, [forbiddenplanet.com](http://forbiddenplanet.com)



### SET THE SCREEN

If the *FHM* office caught fire, this is the thing we'd all save before any computers or interns. We're so protective of our Sony 4K telly that we even tuck it in at night. *Sony X9 TV with 4K resolution*. Starting at Rs 2,61,011, [sony.co.uk](http://sony.co.uk)



### DRINK IN ENERGY

Get a hit of focus-inducing caffeine without touching the pause button to flick on the kettle. *Jimmy's Iced Coffee*, Rs 153 each, [jimmysicedcoffee.com](http://jimmysicedcoffee.com)



### POWER UP

The average young person will spend 10,000 hours gaming by the age of 21. And when consoles are this good, it's pretty easy to see why. God bless you, PlayStation. *PlayStation 4*, from Rs 33,664 (including *Destiny*), [amazon.co.uk](http://amazon.co.uk)



### BLOW YOUR DRUMS

Don't just work out your thumbs, put your ears through their paces too with a top-of-the-range headset from Turtle Beach. They can't be beaten for quality. *Turtle Beach PX4*, Rs 8,702, available at GAME

### FIND YOUR FATE

Bungie's epic sci-fi shooter *Destiny* is the most important release of the year. Get lost in baddie-infested maps and kick some nasty alien ass along the way. *Destiny* is out now for Rs 2,699 at [amazon.in](http://amazon.in)



### FLICK THROUGH THIS MAG

The finest gaming mag on the planet, *Kill Screen*, is a whip-smart piece of literature you need on your coffee table/beside your toilet. *Kill Screen Magazine*, visit [kill screendaily.com](http://kill screendaily.com) for more information.



# 24 Things You still didn't Know About Sachin's book

It's not all Chappell bashing, there are a lot of interesting tidbits about Sachin's career in his new book. Here are just a few...

## 01 MISCHIEVOUS

Sachin's brother enrolled him in Ramakant

Achrekar's cricket summer camp, to keep him out of mischief and getting into trouble in the locality!

practice at 2 at night!

## 02 SCORE-FIXER

Sachin got the scorekeeper to 'fix' his score from 24

to 30 in his debut school match, to get his name in papers the next day.

## 07 MASTER PLANNER

His wife Anjali first came to his house posing as a journalist!

## 03 IMITATING LEGENDS

The Little Master used to imitate John McEnroe at the tennis court.

## 08 SUPERSTITIOUS

Sachin did not use a bat sticker till 1996 World Cup to avoid distractions. Superstition at its best!

## 04 TOO YOUNG

Sachin wasn't selected for Mumbai team initially because at 15 years of age, he was too young to play Ranji Trophy.

## 09 DISAGREEMENT

Sachin was not a great admirer of Kapil Dev's coaching methods.

## 05 ROOM PARTNERS

The Master and Sourav Ganguly were room partners in the MRF pace academy during the early days of their careers.

## 10 HUMILIATED

Sachin was removed from captaincy without any notice by the BCCI in 2000.

## 11 BAD TEMPER

Usually a cool customer, Sachin once lost his temper in a team meeting and scolded them for poor performance in 1999.

## 06 SLEEPWALKER

Sachin used to walk in his sleep and would shadow-

## 12 GREAT REPLACEMENT

When Sachin gave up captaincy, he recommended the young and dynamic Sourav Ganguly to be his replacement in 2000. Rest as they say is history!



**13** ***FOODIE***  
During the tour of Australia in 2004, Sachin went to the same restaurant 3 times in a row and ordered the same dish to maintain his good run in the field.

**14** ***PERMISSION SEEKER***  
Ever since the ban on him for the alleged ball tampering in 2001, Sachin would take permission from the umpires before cleaning the ball!

**15** ***MEMORIAL***  
Sachin named his girl child Sara in memory of winning the Sahara Cup in 1997.

**16** ***LANGUAGE LAUREATE***  
When batting together, Sachin and Rahul Dravid would chat in Marathi.

**17** ***BAD THOUGHTS***  
Sachin had almost quit cricket when India were kicked out in the first round of the 2007 World Cup.

**18** ***CONCENTRATION***  
During the 2011 World Cup, the Master Blaster practiced in the nets with his eyes closed for better concentration.

**19** ***BROTHERLY LOVE***  
After his retirement, Sachin was given the first bat and helmet he had used in the debut series in Pakistan, which his brother Ajit had kept hidden all along.

**20** ***IDENTICAL FIGURES***  
Sachin's first bowling figures in both Tests and ODIs are identical : 1-0-10-0.

**21** ***SUPERSTITIOUS WIFE***  
Sachin's wife Anjali would never eat or drink when the Master was batting!

**22** ***TRUE NATIONALE***  
Sachin always carried the national flag in his kit bag.

**23** ***HARD PRACTICE***  
Sachin used to practice with wet rubber balls to see the marks on his bat to know if he had middled the ball.

**24** ***DUAL CITIZENS***  
Sachin's kids are eligible to play for the England cricket team as their maternal grandmother was English.



DON'T FADE AWAY



AXE SIGNATURE

# Are you a Criminal too?

From plucking flowers to holding hands in public. Do you know the (f)acts?



No. 01

## Flower plucking

Picking, uprooting and transporting plants without a licence is a crime. Careful, before you snatch that never-seen-before flower from your neighbour's yard!

No. 02

## Pirated softwares

Downloading copyrighted software from illegal sources, like torrent sites, is a big no in India. But aren't we all pirates!

No. 03

## Almost legal

You can smoke marijuana in India, but if you are found carrying even a gram of it, get ready for a trip to the jail for a maximum of six months!



No. 04

## Using drones

Under the new rules of Directorate General of Civil Aviation, ordinary citizens are banned to use drones. So, you can own one, but you cannot fly it without permission!



No. 05

## Begging

Ever thought that children asking for money at the traffic signal are criminals? Yes, begging is a crime in India.



No. 06

## Public Display of Affection

Holding hands in public and kissing in front of thousands might be the flavour these days, but PDA is a criminal offence in 'culture-oriented' India, handing 3 months of jail term.

No. 07

## Playing music in public place

Now this is something we bet you did not know! Playing commercial music in a public place is a non-bailable offence.



## No. 08

### Ration Bills

How often do you ask for a bill for the small purchases in the grocery shop near your house? Never? You're a criminal!

## No. 09

### Ear wax removal

The traditional business of ear wax removal, flourishing for centuries in India, is an illegal venture.

## No. 10

### Suicide attempt

If you commit suicide, it's fine. But God forbid, if you survive, jail is waiting!

## No. 11

### Yes to sex, no to pimps

Paying for sex is cool in India but the activities surrounding it are not. Running a brothel, soliciting and pimping are outlawed.



## No. 12

### Age old alcohol rule

Alcohol was banned in erstwhile Bombay presidency and till date, technically, everybody who has had a drink in Maharashtra is a criminal. May be, that's why Gujarat, a part of Bombay presidency before independence, is an alcohol-free state.



## No. 13

### Kite-flying

Flying a kite may get you into trouble. Yes, according to Indian Aircraft Act, flying a kite without permission is punishable.





# Second Fiddles In Hero's World

Every hero needs a sidekick. Even Batman has Robin. If you are ever in need, FHM lists the best for you...



**TONY CURTIS** A life full of struggle, working as crew member on a submarine, then an opportunity to act. He always played the small, offbeat roles. Never the boss, but a gang-member. His most memorable sidekick role was of Antoninus in the 1960 historical drama *Spartacus*. The deceased actor was a second fiddle most of his career but don't underestimate the Hollywood legend!

**JONAH HILL** The two most important sidekick roles that Jonah Hill has successfully played are Peter Brads in *Moneyball* and Danny Porush in *The Wolf*



**Nobody misses them if they are not in the big budget movies, but they are the ones who make heroes look good!**



of Wall Street. Did you notice him in *Django Unchained*? He was the Bag Head 2 there! Never mind, *Moneyball* and *The Wolf of Wall Street* would never have been the same without Mr. Hill

**CLARK GREGG** Remember tuxedo-clad FBI agent Phil Coulson in *Iron Man*, *Iron Man-2*, *Thor* and *The Avengers*? Gregg has been in the industry since 1983, featuring in a number of supporting roles in films like *Lovely & Amazing*, *In Good Company*, and *The Human Stain*. But his real shot to fame was in 2008 when he appeared as SHIELD agent in *Iron Man*. He has since been a regular feature of Marvel's



Universe as even Clarke Kent doesn't look as good in a suit as Clark Gregg does!

**JEREMY RENNER** Jeremy's early life did not get him much success and he worked as a make-up artist to make ends meet. However it was Hurt Locker in 2010 that changed his fortunes and the 43-year-old never looked back. From playing James Coughlin in The Town to Hawkeye in The Avengers, Jeremy has emerged as the best supporting actor in Hollywood.

**MORGAN FREEMAN** From Robinhood's sidekick to playing a good old friend of Tim Robbins in Shawshank Redemption. And not only this, you will never see him up front, he is always the Samaritan, the boss, the helper, the narrator and what not, working from behind, to keep the pace

going. If heroes have to win, they have to come to Morgan!

**RAJKUMAR RAO** He was one of the Shaitans, he fixed Faizal Khan in Gangs of Wasseypur, he was as bad as bad gets, as Kangana Ranaut's fiance in Queen. Remember Aamir Khan's subordinate in Talaash? The accountant friend in Kai Po Che? He has just been the perfect sidekick a film requires.

**VIR DAS** Kangana's love interest in Revolver Rani to the juice-loving third hero of Delhi Belly, Vir Das is by no means a small actor. He does his part so well that he gives the hero a run for his money.

**DIVYA DUTTA** With more than 60 films under her belt, Divya Dutta is a veteran

sidekick. From Veera Zaara to Bhaag Milkha Bhaag, Divya has worked wonders as a sister, friend and subdued wife, weaving her magic.

**IFTEKHAR KHAN** He was often referred to as the 'Real Policeman of Bollywood'. With over 400 films to his name, Iftekhar played small but pivotal roles, usually that of a police officer. You would have seen him in classics like Don, giving support to Amitabh Bachchan. Even his negative role was appreciated in Deewar.

**CHUNKY PANDEY** Playing second fiddle to heroes like Rajesh Khanna, Anil Kapoor and Govinda is what Chunky Pandey is best known for. Bringing comedy into even serious scenes made him one of the best sidekicks.



Words: Sudhakar Jha

# HOW I DID IT...

**ALEX THOMSON, 40,  
PROFESSIONAL SAILOR**

**My dad was a search and rescue helicopter pilot.** On Friday evenings we'd head to the airport, jump in the helicopter, land on a remote island and camp there all weekend. I wanted to be a pilot myself but at 17, I had an eye test at a naval hospital where they told me my sight was so bad, I couldn't even be a seaman, let alone fly.

**I don't really have any 'old' friends.** I went to 11 different schools. At that age, you just lose touch with everyone.

**When I play squash, I don't just leave sweaty,** I leave with cuts and bruises.

**I did six months packing straws for McDonald's after my A-levels.** It was a kick up the backside to push me to do something I actually wanted to do.

**It's so easy to get into sailing.** There are thousands of sailing clubs around the country, and the easiest way to start is to look on noticeboards for boats that need crews. Just make sure you're determined. It's a tough existence when stuff goes wrong.

**All that 'psychic twin' stuff – I don't think it exists.** But my twin sister has had a few weird moments when stuff's happened to me. My brother lives 200 metres down the road from my house, and she's 200 metres down the road from him.

**I didn't collide with a French fishing boat.** They collided with me. It took four years to prepare that brand new boat for a race, and three weeks before the start line, they hit us.

**In 2006, my keel broke off and I had to abandon my boat** halfway between Africa and Antarctica. I was 2,000 miles from land, in a life raft that you couldn't see from more than 300 metres away, in 1°C waters. Luckily, another competitor saw me and rescued me, but I was on his boat for three hours, then his mast fell down. That was a pretty bad day.

**Astronauts get the sense of how small the Earth is** when they see it from space. We get the opposite. We get the effect that the world is enormous.

**Best piece of advice I've been given?** "To finish first, first you have to finish."

**The big one is the Vendée Globe Race in 2016.** It's the world's most difficult sporting challenge. You can compare it to Everest if you want to, but more than 3,000 people have been up that mountain now. Fewer than 100 people have completed the Vendée. To get around the world you come out of France, turn left, go down to the bottom, head around Antarctica, left at America and back to France again.

**Nowhere are you more aware of your own mortality than in the Southern Ocean.** When you're there, there are no fishing boats, container ships, helicopters or planes that'll help you. If you're 1,000 miles south of Australia, it'll take three days for a ship to get to you. It's a very dangerous place.

**The boat I race is specifically designed for me.** It's like Ferrari giving you millions of pounds and telling you to create the world's best car. And then every year you get more money to make it go even faster.

**When the time comes, you've just got to shit in the bucket.** I've got no toilet on board for weight reasons. It's called the old bucket and chuck it.

**I'm a sailor, so of course I like the sauce.** I try to stay off the booze during the week and not party too hard at the weekend. I've got a lovely pub round the corner called The Fighting Cocks. They don't take cards and they sell local eggs at the bar.

**I'd be right up there with people who've racked the world's most expensive phone bills.** For a megabyte of data, expect to cough up about \$10, and because I'm always on BBC News, I get through a lot.

**There's a lot of things at sea that I wish every man on Earth could experience,** be it seeing the stars from the ocean where you can look at more than you ever thought imaginable; getting hit in the face by a flying fish; or sitting on the bow of the boat and watching dolphins playing under you while leaving little torpedo clouds of phosphorescence.

Hugo Boss sailor Alex Thomson will compete in the 2014-2015 Barcelona World Race. Visit [alexthomsonracing.com](http://alexthomsonracing.com)

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# Instagram Overse

Introducing Demi Rose – the best reason to get yourself on every available social media platform

EDITED BY CHRIS SAYER



**S**ocial media has a lot to answer for. Idiotic trolls. The ever-expanding self-importance of Piers Morgan. That awful feeling after posting something, finding yourself staring at the screen, hoping and praying for retweets/likes/shares/any form of validation. Still, social media sites have their benefits. Without them, the amazingly wonderful Demi Rose Mawby may not be staring up at you from these very pages.

Why, we hear you ask? Well, since we first featured the 19-year-old Brummie, Demi has developed quite the online following. At last count, she had a whopping 120,000 Twitter followers and a frankly ridiculous 520,000 people following her on Instagram.

We used this as the perfect excuse to get her back in *FHM*.

**FHM: So, Demi. It appears your Instagram has gone mental. Any thoughts on why?**

**Demi:** My pictures, I guess! It's true though, it has been crazy. At the moment,

if I just post one photo, I get another 2,000 followers and I can't even check my notifications – there are just too many. I had to switch them off a while ago.

**How did this happen?**

I only started all the social media stuff because there was a fake account pretending to be me on Instagram. I posted my photos to get rid of the fake 'me' – then it just blew up.

**Did you ever expect it to?**

No way. The person with the fake profile had 3,000 followers, so I tried to get in touch with them but they deleted the account. I ended up just sticking with it. I quickly got up to 30,000 followers.

**You've got over half a million followers. When did you realise things had gone bonkers?**

Probably when it got past 100,000. I asked my dad to guess how many followers I had. He was like, "I dunno. 200?" I told him it was 100,000 and he freaked out. I had to tell him it was OK!

**Has internet fame led to you being spotted in the street yet?**

I was in Ibiza in the summer, and I must

WHO  
SHE?

Age: 19

From: Birmingham

Likes: Gyms, singing

and dancing,

travelling to

other countries

Twitter:

@DemiRoseMawby

Instagram:

demirosemawby



• have had 10 different people ask me for a photo, which was weird.

**Is it true there is someone with a tattoo of you?**

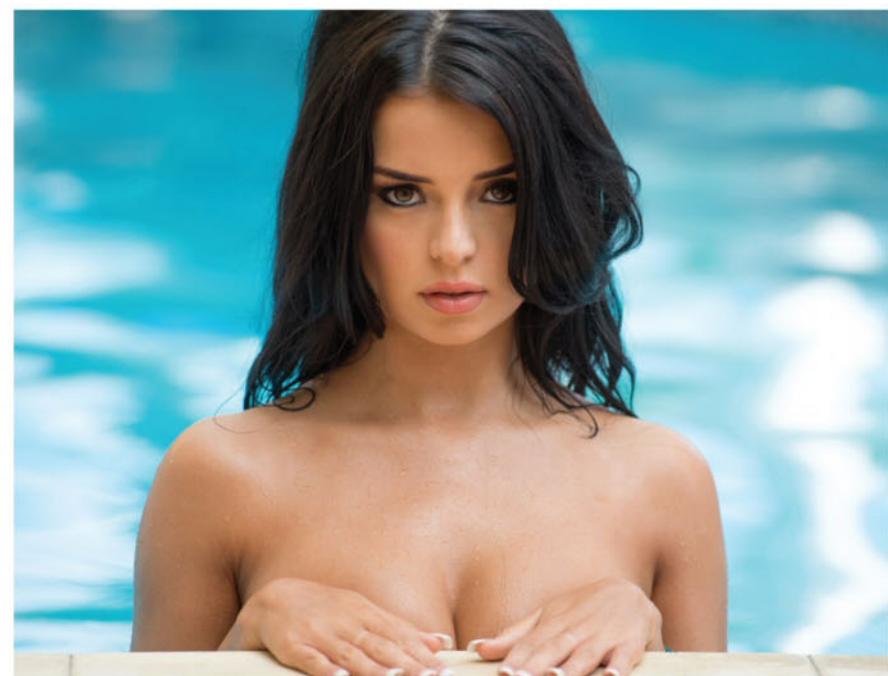
Yeah, but he's not one of my fans.

**Eh?**

I know, it's weird. He wanted a Greek goddess tattoo and it was the tattoo artist who was a fan. He suggested me, so this guy now has a tat of me with a knife in my hand! Some people online gave him some hate for it – "You don't even know her" and all that sort of stuff.

**Have you ever been chatted up successfully on social media?**

You do get the odd guy who can be a bit weird or creepy, but I'm always



open to people who are chilled about my job and respect it. People realise that I'm a down-to-earth person.

**What do you mean?**

Well, I cook for my family every day, but I don't think people know that. When you're a model, some people don't like it if you dare to have an opinion on something – then you get accused of being stuck up.

**Last time you spoke to FHM, you said you wanted to open a beauty salon in Spain...**

That was the plan; at that time, I wasn't sure I'd be able to make a living from modelling. But now I love this job; I'd like to travel around the world.

**Sounds like you've got plans...**

Yeah, I'd love to go into make-up or skincare. Maybe get a reality show on TV or into acting one day.



# 01

Comedy

## PK

The most anticipated movie of 2014 stars Aamir Khan and Anushka Sharma in the lead. The political satire mocking the

lives of people and how an alien changes them is the crux of PK. Anushka, portraying a journalist, helps Aamir clean the system. The powerful cast includes Sanjay Dutt and Kai Po Che fame Sushant Singh Rajput. Though the makers have kept the story a secret, Aamir's name is enough to draw you towards the theatres. Get set for a Christmas bonanza!  
*Out on Dec 19th*





### ROBIN WILLIAMS' LAST HURRAH

Make sure you watch it, even if part 2 was an insufferable bore.

# 02

Adventure

## Night at the Museum Secret of the Tomb

The American adventure-comedy is back with Larry. The third and final installment of the Night at the Museum trilogy. The film revolves around the dying magical powers of the tablet of the Akhmenrah and how Ben Stiller embarks upon an epic quest to save the magic before it dies.

Out on Dec 19th



## 03 The Hobbit The Desolation of Smaug

Adventure

Academy award winning director Peter Jackson brings the third of the Hobbit trilogy. The story brings an epic conclusion to the adventure of Bilbo Baggins, Thorin Oakenshield and the Company of dwarves. Having

reclaimed their land from the Dragon Smaug, the group unknowingly unleashes a deadly force. As they decide to unite, The Desolation of Smaug sees the future of earth hanging in balance.

Out on Dec 17th

# 04

Fantasy

## Into the Woods

The modern amalgamation of fairytale characters and the consequences of their wishes and dreams summarizes 'Into the Woods'. This fantasy movie follows the tales of Rapunzel, Cinderella, Little Red Riding Hood and others tied together by an original story involving a baker and his wife, their wish to begin a family and their interaction with the witch who has put a curse on them. Out on Dec 25th



# 05

Period Drama

## Exodus Gods and Kings

From acclaimed director Ridley Scott comes this epic adventure of a man's courage to take on the might of an empire. A defiant leader rises against the Egyptian Pharaoh, setting 600,000 slaves on a monumental journey of escape from Egypt and its terrifying cycle of deadly plagues.

Out on Dec 12th

Words: Sudhakar Jha



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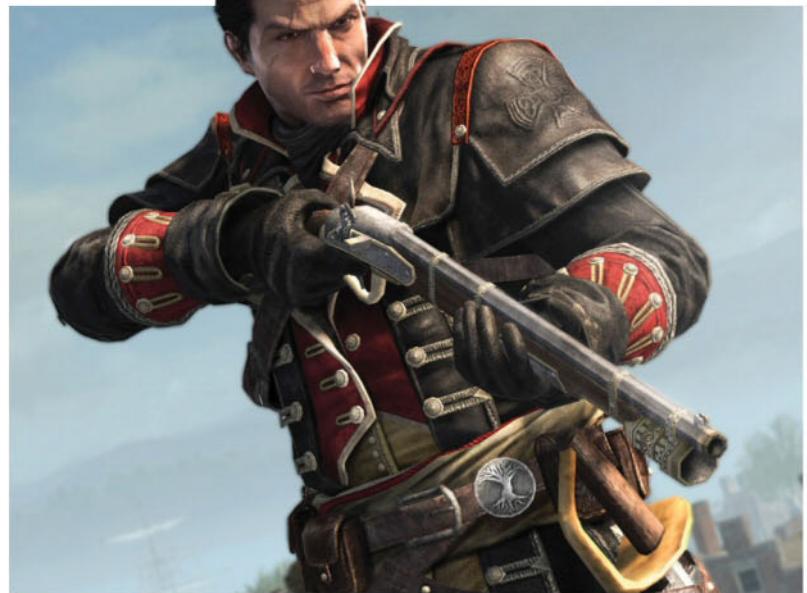
Action

## ASSASSIN'S CREED ROGUE

Hey, we have played it before. Haven't we?

**I**magine playing a game that didn't get any attention or promotion before the release. The Assassin's Creed franchise now has two more games, Assassin's Creed Rogue and Assassin's Creed Unity, both released together.

Linking the stories of Assassin's Creed 3 and Assassin's Creed 4: Black Flag is the new AC Rogue. Young Irishman Shay Cormac joins the Assassin's Brotherhood where he develops his skills and goes on assassination missions. But after many unwanted mishaps, he starts questioning his beliefs and finally, turns his back on the



Brotherhood and joins the Templars.

He then returns to the Brotherhood to fight old friends and spoil their missions. The game is refreshing in the fact that his missions are a complete turnaround. Whereas earlier, he would've had to assassinate the Brotherhood's targets, now his job is to protect them. There are also several instances, where he himself is the target. The Assassins are out to kill him, and he has to kill them before they do. There are many new weapons and other equipments that make combat more exciting.

The downside of the game is that it's evident that Rogue was made on low budget. Locations have been blatantly reused from AC3 and 4, so much so, that some of the towns and forts are exactly the same. Many of the missions are old, and have only been tweaked slightly. But Ubisoft has tried to infuse some variety to make sure that the gamer doesn't get bored. There are many missions, side-missions and activities and you are free to take what you want.

**VERDICT** The gameplay is refined, the weapons are new, and the Templar twist is refreshing but there is a strong sense of *déjà vu* because of the reused missions and settings. If you're bored of the AC series, this installment will not revive your interest. But if you can't get enough, this is definitely for you! Price: ₹2,999 Platform: PS3

## COPIES SOLD

**Assassins Creed (2007)**

**08 Mn**

**Assassins Creed 2 (2009)**

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**Assassins Creed Brotherhood (2010)**

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**Assassins Creed Revelation (2011)**

**07 Mn**

**Assassins Creed 3 (2012)**

**12 Mn**

**Assassins Creed 4 Black Flag (2013)**

**11 Mn**

**Assassins Creed Unity (2014)**

**08-12 Mn** expected

**Assassins Creed Rogue (2014)**

**08-12 Mn** expected



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Best on PS3

## Pre Evo

# Soccer 2015

**PES 2015 brings Konami back in business and how!**

There was a time when Konami's Pro Evolution Soccer was the undisputed king of football video games. The 14-game series has sold close to 82 mn copies. It achieved this by doing something very simple - whether you wanted to play one on one, take on someone online or enjoy a 15-season career mode, PES beat the others hollow, with one hand. Yeah, that's how good it was! The PES series 3 to 6 were the golden years when the game was a major hit on PS2, Xbox and PC. But the transition to the next generation of consoles was not as smooth. PES was not the same on PS3 and the series has been in decline since.

Konami seems to have learnt from the mistake and the transition to PS4 has been a lot smoother. The one aspect where PES

2015 wins hands down is the gameplay. The actual football simulation on this one is as realistic as it gets, and we feel it's even better than FIFA 15 by some margin. The focus is on the physics and mechanics of the movement of ball and players, which gives the user a feeling that he's actually part of a football game and not just controlling a bunch of lifeless, animated characters.

The pace of the game is much slower than FIFA and may put some off, but helps make the game a lot more realistic. Actually having the time to pick a pass, make a run or create a move makes it a lot more involving.

**VERDICT:** While the game feels wanting in terms of looks, sounds and experience, the actual gameplay is definitely unmatched.

Price: ₹2,477 Platform : PS3

Words: Sudhakar Jha



VS



# 08 Game of Gals

Mobile game

Kate Upton stars as goddess Athena in the new Game of War



**K**ate Upton has only gone and made our day – nay, week – by starring in the live-action ad for mobile game, Game Of War: Fire Age.

“Come and play with me,” Kate gushes to the viewer, as she distracts the fighting participants on a war-torn battlefield and transforms herself into a dragon-slaying Greek goddess.

The Sports Illustrated star is also on hand in animated form to properly guide you through the game and give you a hand when you get stuck. Or to distract you, too. Either way, she’s there, and that’s what matters.

But Kate isn’t the only celeb lady to transition from modelling into making the world of video games a sexier place. If you remember correctly, the sensational Emily Ratajkowski emerged as a very welcome mirage in the trailer for Call Of Duty back in October. Kate is walking through a battlefield of armoured soldiers and a giant fire-breathing dragon in the promotional video as the game promises a definite star war between the two celebs.

**It's a direct war between the two hotties**



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People's elbow!

# WWE 2K15

If you thought that the year is going to end on a high, WWE 2K15 disappoints with more misses than hits.

For close to a decade WWE nuts have had to contend with late night runs of Royal Rumble, that one pack of half torn trump cards that were rediscovered in the corner of the shoe cupboard or rushes of watching Dwayne 'The Rock' Johnson taking down cops in Pain & Gain. To cut a long story short,

most of us have been stuck on WWE from 1990s, a simpler time when knowledge about it being scripted was scarce. Since then despite having an Indian competing (Khali) or WWE exhibition matches in India, the interest in WWE has waned, barring a week's time when news of Ultimate Warrior's death spread.





## GREATNESS AWAITS

Grow your player from an amateur fighter to a wrestling great



To fill the void, video game publishers have tried and tried again - so much so that nearly 16 WWE-based video games have been released in the last 14 years. The response for each of them, barring WWF Smackdown, WWE Smackdown! Vs Raw and WWE 2K14 has been lukewarm to nonexistent. So it's clear, WWE 2K15 has pretty massive boots to fill.

In the normal gameplay, match modes like Steel Cage and Hell in the Cell have few upgrades. In Steel Cage, you now have an escape route, but it will depend on the stamina with which the player can escape. In the Hell in a Cell match, you will be allowed to use weapons hidden under the ring. However, these small changes do not take away the fact that there are many things which have either been scrapped or not upgraded from the previous version. The annoying and outdated character intros are still there, while the bugs (game freezes during certain

matches, rivalries in universe mode become motionless to name few) that hindered gameplay in the 2014 version continue to exist. There have also been very few changes in the WWE roster which is even thinner than 2014 and has even fewer legends. There is no creation mode this time around. The ability to create a diva, new arena, theme song and title are all missing from 2K15. A few changes in combat and commentary don't live up to the hype created by the game's developers, Visual Concepts and Yuke's.

### THE SAVING GRACE

2K Showcase and Who Got NXT. 2K Showcase has detailed visuals of some of WWE's most epic moments, rivalries and in-ring encounters with authentic voiceovers and historic footage. There is also a lot of unlockable content as well as the opportunity to have dream matchups between WWE superstars of the past and present.

In Who Got NXT, the player can

develop and grow an amateur WWE star and lead him to greatness. There is an assortment of talent from NXT programming and the user can help them graduate through modes like WWE Exhibition and Universe. And if the player can go all the way, and complete the NXT star mode, an even greater surprise awaits.

The problem however is that once you've explored 2K Showcase and Who Got NXT, there is little else to do.

The small roster and lack of options means that regular users would prefer to build their existing careers on 2K14 rather than start all over in the latest version. In retrospect, the visuals of 2K15 are nothing to write home about either.

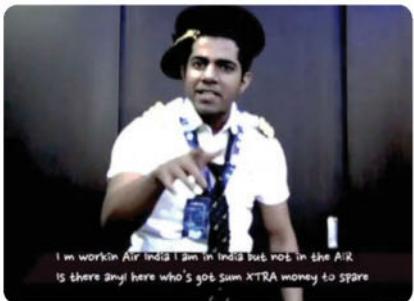
**VERDICT** You always expect the new version of a game to be better, but at a premium price, WWE 2K15 is a huge let down! Guess we'll have to wait for the next.

Price: ₹2,379; Platform: PS3, XBOX 1



## Entertain your brain

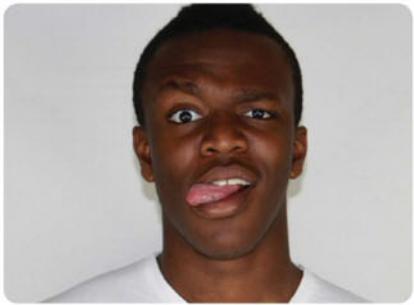
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Internet Superstars

## Get viral over these YouTube stars





**W**e see you, endlessly scrolling up and down the TV channel menus, desperately trying to find something – anything – worth watching. “What the hell is ‘Geordie Hoarders In Tiaras?’ you sigh. “Why am I paying for a channel called Total Knee Surgery Live? And for the love of Sweet Christmas Jesus, why is there nothing on?!”

We feel your pain. Here’s what you do: sack the telly off, fire up your laptop and subscribe to some YouTube channels run by the next generation of stars who are side-stepping the TV industry, gaining way more viewers and making way more money in the process.

Take one of India most popular YouTube videos Aalia Bhatt making fun of herself, The Air India pilot who shot himself singing on a plane, AIB’s Dhoom 3 parody or The Viral Fever’s Shah Rukh Khan interview. There’s even Ranveer Singh dancing on the streets of Bandra in Mumbai and Farhan Akhtar riding a cycle in a sky diving suit.

The US has spawned the slickest and most successful YouTube channels. ERB (also known as Epic Rap Battles Of History) features hip-hop throw downs between famous figures: Darth Vader vs Hitler, Mozart vs Skrillex and so on. With 11 million subscribers (that’s more than Sky), ERB has spawned three hit singles in the US and once guest-starred Snoop Dogg rapping as Moses (versus Santa, obviously).

Then there’s Equals Three, which royally rips the piss out of the latest viral videos (think a funnier version of RudeTube). It’s attracted some *big* guest hosts: Sarah Silverman, Wu-Tang’s RZA, Robin Williams...

How successful are these YouTubers? Well, take the eight-year-old boy who’s behind the EvanTubeHD channel – he raked in \$1.3million last year from his toy and video game reviews. Little genius.

So, turn off ‘Bet You Can’t Dance For Benefits’ and get your movie finger clicking. And if you can’t find a YouTube channel you like? Go make your own...



## Shed inhibitions, Ranveer Singh style

*Hrithik Roshan gave a #Bangbangdare to Ranveer Singh. And the newbie just nailed it.*

**Farhan Akhtar**  
Watched your full dare on the streets of Mumbai...

hahahahahaha...  
Classic! Lava ubal raha hai Lava

**Shreya Ghosal**  
OMG! U truly r the coolest

in the craziest! Aahahaha  
@Ranveerofficial

**Kunal Kohli**  
Bwahahahaha!  
I have that speaker! And I have that driver! @Ranveerofficial

# 11

## Hollywood Comeback

### Feel nervous about Carrey carrying on

It's been 20 years since we left Harry and Lloyd on the side of the road, letting a bus filled with cheerleaders slip through their hands, but this last month saw *Dumb & Dumber To* gracing and tanking on our cinema screens. Will it be great? Will it suck? Maybe history can help. We took film's finest and floppiest sequels to see if a big ol' gap in-between them can be a blessing or a curse...



Being a top-flight Premier League boss is more than sheepskin jackets, chewing gum and shouting from the sidelines these days: 2014 was the year managerial behaviour went utterly bonkers. Ahead of this month's *Football Manager 2015* release, we asked the franchise's creator Miles Jacobson if any of the real-life madness could make it into the console game...

#### Persuade players to stay at your club with birthday cakes

“This already happens in the game, from the chairman. If you were playing as a player, you’d see it.”

#### Overrule your physiotherapist and heal injured players with blocks of cheese

“We were actually looking to add this as a rare Easter egg this year. I said no, as we needed to spend our time on more important things.”

#### Headbutt an opponent player on the pitch

“No, players in the game aren’t allowed to punch or bite people due to legal restrictions within our licenses.”

#### Dissuade your chairman from only signing players with ‘8’ as their birthdays

“Chairmen in the game do have personal preferences and some of them are a bit strange.”



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Hero

## Pry a few words from the most secretive man in Hollywood

He's taken on Batman and travelled through dreams, but there's one Hollywood destination Cillian Murphy's never checked into: the public eye. We meet cinema's most elusive superstar to find out what goes on behind his closed doors... **Does being out of the public eye mean you can enjoy a pint in your local?**

Totally. I love a quiet pub that makes a good cheese sandwich. There's one near me that shows Irish GAA and serves a good Guinness, too. It's essential to live a life as normal as possible if you're employed to portray the average person.

**While you're hiding away, how do you like to unwind?**

I like my music and my books. I've just read *The Dog* by Joseph O'Neill. It's about a guy whose life goes down the tube. It's very compelling.

**What music has had major play time in your home recently?**

A band called Los Angeles Police

Department that I just listened to this morning are very good. Singer-songwriter Nick Mulvey is great; and... [looks at Spotify] Unknown Mortal Orchestra, I love them.

**What's the freakiest thing that's happened to you with a fan?**

Someone gave me a tin of peas once. In one film, years ago, I threw a tin of peas at somebody and knocked him out, so they thought I'd enjoy it.

**So, Peaky Blinders [Cillian's latest show] might just be the most stylish TV show to come out of the UK, right?**

I certainly think it's a departure for British television and can compete with the big American shows without trying to ape them. This gang didn't have much money, but what they did have, they invested in looking great.

Not only are their morals questionable, but they're so smart about it. Season two takes us to London. My character goes, "Right, Birmingham is mine, what's next?"

**In your career you've led a gang, you've been to space, battered zombies, and gone up against Batman as a super villain. As a child, which of those would you have been most excited about?**

I guess it would have been Batman roles. It's the only way I can endear myself to my children. That was cool. I think Batman's the coolest superhero.

**You went for the role of Batman, didn't you?**

Yes, but I didn't have the physique.

**But could you do the voice?**

That was Christian's idea; that voice didn't exist before. There was a gang of us who tried out for it really but, well, it can't be anyone else's. He did a phenomenal job.

**Finally, what would you do in a 28 Days Later zombie uprising?**

Run. Just run away.

Series two of Peaky Blinders is out on DVD and Blu-Ray

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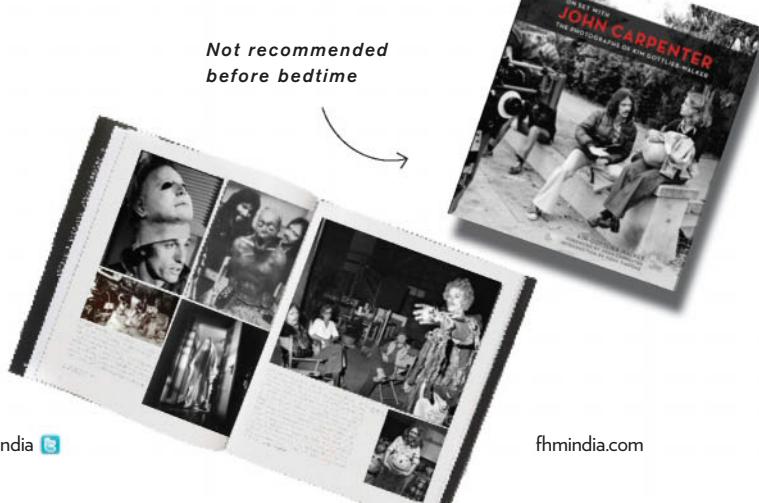
Man read

## Own a slice of iconic horror

If you're forever wondering what slasher icon Michael Myers got up to between hiding in bushes, pulling coat hangers from his eyeballs and causing a nuisance with his knife, then sleep easy knowing your quandary has been answered. This tome of behind-

the-scenes pictures from the sets of horror master John Carpenter shows what it took to make classics like *Halloween*, *Halloween 2*, *The Fog*, *Escape from New York* and *Christine* – it should definitely find a home on your sacrificial altar.

Not recommended before bedtime



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Rock legends

## Perfect your Foo Fighters playlist

Dave Grohl and his band of hit-making chums dropped their eighth studio album, *Sonic Highways*. To celebrate, jump over to FHM.com and get our ultimate Foo Fighters playlist on your speakers. Get a taster here...



**Matthew Koma, hit-writing EDM goliath, says:**

**I'll Stick Around**

"I used to jam this with my brother when I was 8 years old on a *Wayne's World* model Fender Strat in our basement in New York. It always brings back a good feeling."



**Mikey Chapman, lead singer of Mallory Knox says:**

**My Hero**

"Ah man, this song is just epic. It's so relentless and powerful. It's a windows-down-volume-up summer driving tune."



**Wilkinson, chart-hugging drum and bass DJ, says:**

**Best Of You**

"If I'm pissed off and need to go for a drive, I'll stick this on the stereo to sort me out."



**Mike Duce, lead singer of Lower Than Atlantis, says:**

**Learn To Fly**

"It's the first Foo Fighters' song I heard. It was incredible enough to make them one of my favourite bands."

# 16

New TV

## India's first cultural channel

Can't get enough of history and soaps? Annoyed that Maharana Pratap is all grown up? Looking for something to fill the 'Game of Thrones' sized hole in your TV watching schedule? EPIC channel aims to solve all those problems, there will even be some shoulder baring as an answer to Cersei's naked walk to the Church in the next season. There are even shows like Dharmakshetra, Daanav Hunters will bring back the stories heard only from our grandparents. EPIC is also bringing back Jaaved jaferi back on television with a talk show. What more do you want? Go EPIC...

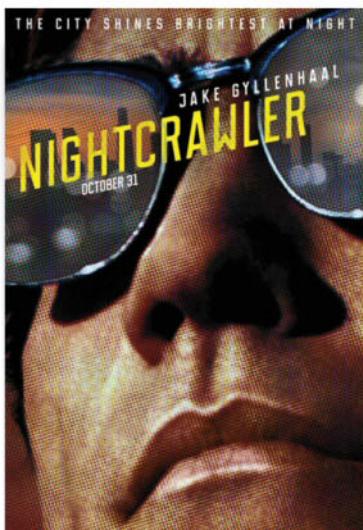


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Arty flicks

## Tear down your Scarface poster

First, go and see *Nightcrawler*, Jake Gyllenhaal's achingly cool new thriller set in the after-dark hum of Los Angeles as he chases sirens for bloody crime stories. Then grab this super slick poster from the cinema foyer to stick up on your bedroom wall. It'll turn your grotty flat into a sweet LA pad.



# 18

Sporting rivals

## Plot the downfall of a Formula One bromance

Mercedes had the two best cars this season in Formula One, but there has to be just one winner. Here's how the former childhood chums Lewis Hamilton and Nico Rosberg turned into rivals in 19 races...

**April 6:** "Tell him that was not on!" Rosberg says as Hamilton cuts him up in the third race of the season.

**MAY 24:** Rosberg and Hamilton collide in Monaco. Hamilton suggests Rosberg did it on purpose after seeing him win the race from pole.

**MAY 25:** Hamilton tells *Radio 5 Live*: "I can count my friends on one hand."

I am sure Nico can do the same. I am not in his five and he is not in my five."

**JULY 27:** Engineer: "OK Lewis, let Nico past please." Lewis: "I'm not slowing down for Nico." Nico: "Why is he not letting me through?"

**AUGUST 24:** "Nico just hit me!" Hamilton shouts down the team radio as the twosome crash again, this time in Belgium. The two are later separated to give press conferences.

**NOVEMBER 22:** Rosberg taunts Hamilton to drive cleanly ahead of the last race in Abu Dhabi during presser for the final fallout between the two.



## Entertain your brain

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### OLD SCHOOL LOVE

A time when music  
came on vinyl  
and student loans  
went into buying Atari  
consoles



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Music king

# Bonobo

FHM catches up with the king of downtempo

**Your very first album in 1999 made you the pioneer of downtempo. How does it feel to still lead the way even a decade and a half?**

Amazing really, I'd like to be remembered as someone who contributed something original to electronic music. I wouldn't wanna be known as someone within a specific genre. I mean, I'm known as a downtempo artist but I haven't made a record like that in a few years now.

**According to you, has the music world changed significantly since you started out?**

Absolutely! The internet has changed things a lot. I think what has happened now is it's very easy to make music. But 10 years back, it was very expensive. I think now all you need is a laptop and wifi and you can create music.

**Have you heard the work of some of the Indian DJs? Is there anyone who stands out?**

To be honest, I've heard a few in bits and pieces, but I am looking forward to my trip to India.

**Our research says, you've travelled to 30 countries and done 175 shows since April 2013. Which country or city has been the most boring?**

It definitely depends on the city and crowd. The more I trust a city the more progressive and deeper I'll go, whereas if the crowd isn't up for new music, I'll stick to a safer playlist. Places like Chicago, Montreal, the West Coast, I'd go a little weirder.

**The world is suddenly going gaga over Vinyl. Do you have some specific memories associated with it? Do you personally prefer Vinyl over electronic music?**

Actually I do. It was the late 90s when all the big beat stuff was happening. Skint, MoWax and Ninja, of course, which all changed my outlook on music. I got hold of a little Atari and a sampler and got into the whole idea of getting out of bands and plugging stuff into a sampler — looping things, sampling beats off an old vinyl.

**Do you have a list of essential LPs every man should own?**

Erykah, Trombone Shorty, Mos Def and Zigaboo

Modeliste from The Meters. And my musical inspirations - Bernard Herman or Ennio Morricone.

**Are there any music apps that you use? Or are you more old school?**

I'm mostly old school. When I started there weren't laptops, Ableton or Logic. There was MIDI and there were floppy discs and it cost a lot of money. I spent my student loan on an Atari and a sampler. I had a tape deck and floppy disc and that's how I made the first album.

**You are known to perform solo, but you are coming down with the entire band to India, which of the two do you enjoy more?**

I've always been a DJ and always done solo projects, and I think that there's the situation now where people think that it's a band and if it's just me then it's kind of a compromise. But it's always been just me. Bonobo isn't a band that tours, it's a solo producer project and I produce these shows together and it's always changing and evolving.

**How different is it to perform alone as opposed to performing in a band?**

I've been DJ'ing since the beginning really and that's where I'm most comfortable I guess, behind the turntables. With DJ'ing you just have to show up 5 minutes before with a laptop and turntables and get plugged in. With a live show you can do bigger and grander stuff and it's more about representing the actual music.

**How many years has an India tour been in the making?**

I have loved India all my life, I wanted to take a year off from college and travel to India. So India was on the top of my list, somewhere I always wanted to go. It's an honor to be performing at last at Johnnie Walker The Journey.

**So is it going to be just one-time visit or can we expect more 'Green' days?**

I'm sure you can! But it really depends on my plans for next year.

**How has the response to Flashlight been?**

Flashlight doesn't deviate much from the signature aesthetic, but it explores new territory in subtle ways.

Bonobo performs in Mumbai later this month as a part of Johnnie Walker The Journey

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Diesel Auto

# Skoda Rapid DSG

**Diesel engine and auto gearbox make a lovely pair. Wonder why we don't have more of these.**



**Price**  
₹ 10.49 lakh

**L**et's start this with a confession. We're a bunch of lazy bums here at FHM. At least some of us are. So lazy in fact that we even know the name of the third cop from Washington PD in Die Hard 4. Because reaching for the remote is just too much of an effort. It's Howard Tyrone Ferguson BTW. So it shouldn't come as a surprise that we love cars with automatic gearboxes. They reduce foot work and make traffic jams easier to deal with. And let's be honest no one likes to reach work in a murderous rage. Unfortunately autos have been the preserve of petrol cars which make for higher running costs. Not something many crave for. Car makers finally

understand this and diesel autos are now making their way to the market. The Skoda Rapid is one of them.

Skoda have equipped the Rapid with a high-tech, seven speed DSG gearbox. Unlike a regular slush-box, there are a pair of clutches in the DSG, that keep the even and odd number of gears engaged before hand. This makes the speed at which it shifts through the gears, its most impressive feature. There's no hesitation, no dilly dallying, only quick, seamless gear changes. In fact it blows our lazy responses with a manual box right out of the water. Although there is an option to shift the gears manually, we never really felt the need for it.

Skoda has also taken the opportunity to replace the 1.6 diesel with a slightly smaller 1.5. Conventional wisdom says, bigger is better, and a smaller engine therefore is a silly idea. Well, conventional wisdom can go suck an egg, as far as Skoda is concerned. The smaller engine is as powerful as the one it replaces and should return better economy, thanks to lower displacement. Twist the key and it comes to life just like any other diesel, with a bit of clatter and some vibrations to remind you that it sips on the dirty fuel.

For most part it's best to leave the gearbox in D mode and let it do the dirty work. Which is great if you're not in too



### SPECS OF SKODA RAPID

**Engine**  
1,498 cc

**Torque**  
250 Nm

**Power**  
105 bhp

**Gearbox**  
7-speed auto

much of a hurry. For when you are, it feels like the engine is struggling to keep up. Mind you, this is only true if you step hard on the throttle. For these times there is the S or Sport mode. Shift the gearbox into S and the car takes on a new character. The engine revs to higher speeds, the gearbox stays in lower gears and speeds go up. The engine even sounds throaty and eager.

All you need now is a curving road to have a blast. Skoda has perfected the art of suspension tuning and won over buyers with

the ride quality and handling of the original Octavia. The Rapid carries on in the same vein. It's soft and absorbent over broken patches of tarmac but doesn't bottom out. Yet it's firm enough when you want to chuck it around corners. The light and precise steering is also worth a mention; helping with quick direction changes.

In tune with the sporty dynamics of the car, Skoda is also offering 'Black Package' on the top of the line Elegance variant. This includes an all black grille,

black headlamp inserts, black alloys, black decals, black mirror casing and black roof. If you ask us, the black treatment looks rather sinister.

It's a comfy, fun to drive and spacious car that comes with a lot of kit. It has a 2 DIN entertainment system which will read USB, connect with your phone over Bluetooth for hands-free connectivity, climate control and cruise control. And with prices of the diesel auto starting at Rs 10.94 lakh (ex-showroom, Delhi), Rapid is tough to fault.



#### QUICK DRAW MCGRAW

The twin clutch auto is faster at shifting gears than The Flash hopped up on Red Bull.



#### TRAFFIC JAM DE-STRESS

USB, SD card, Aux-in. Torture the hell out of chatty passengers with your Alfa Raja collection.



#### TORQUE MEISTER

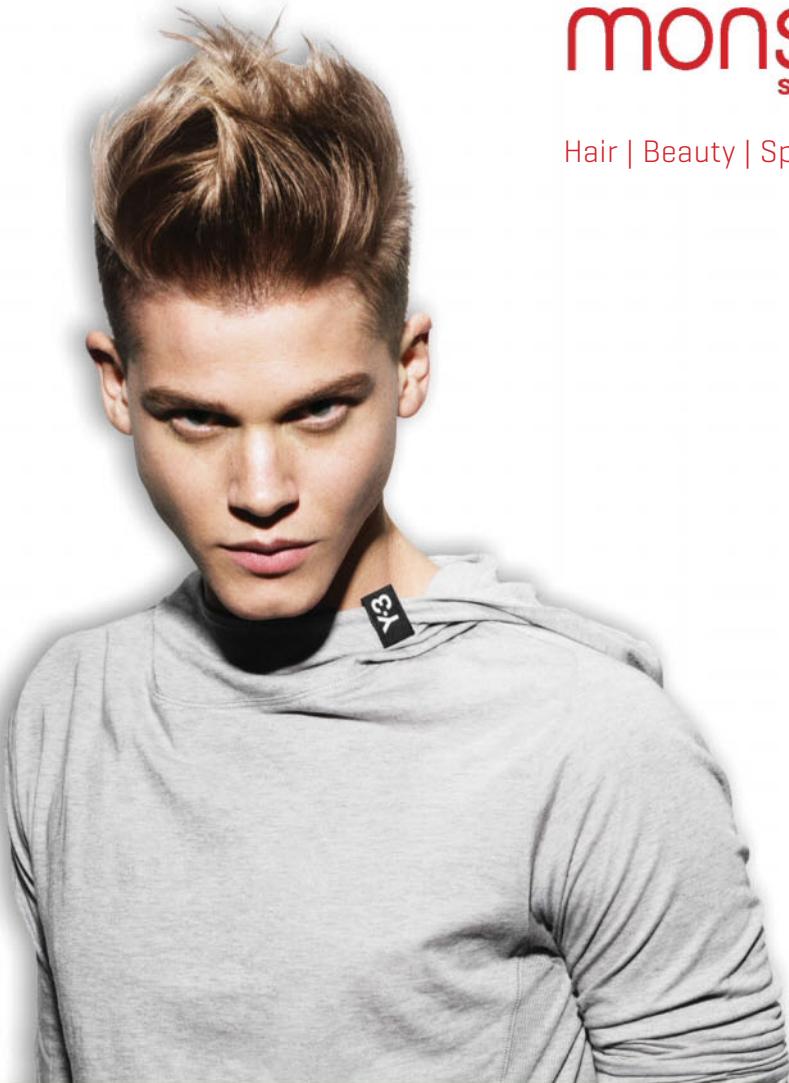
Loads of low end pull on offer. Now if we can do something about the rush hour traffic.



#### FANCY FOOTWEAR

New design alloys. Black Package has better looking all black ones.

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# THE VIRGINMARYS

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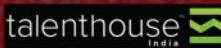
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Matt Blake



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# INSIDE THE CHOCOLATE FACTORY

**FHM TAKES UP RESIDENCE AT GOOGLE'S LONDON HEADQUARTERS AND TRIES TO FIND OUT WHAT THE ALL-CONQUERING, ALL-KNOWING SUPER-CORPORATION ACTUALLY WANTS FROM THE HUMAN RACE...**

**T**here is a telephone on the receptionist's desk at Google... but it never rings. It never has. The receptionist says she thinks it works, but she isn't really sure. So it sits there, silent and forgotten; as useful to a Googler (not our word) as two cups and a piece of string. "I've never used it once since I've worked here," she smiles sweetly. "I don't even know what it would sound like if it rang, let alone how to use it." We ask how she plans to tell our contact we've arrived. "Don't worry, I'll ping him – that's our instant messenger service," she says, as if explaining it to a confused geriatric. "Nobody uses telephones to communicate here; it's all done online."

FHM is late. Google has agreed to let us into its gleaming UK mothership in central London, but we've just spent the last 20 minutes lost in the lift. Every floor we arrive at looks exactly like the last: pristine, anonymous, white – like the Death Star with more MacBook Airs. When you finally work out Google's reception is on the 9th floor, you don't sign in with the human being behind the desk, but with the computer beside her. Once you've inputted your name and

justification for being there, a page appears telling you not to take photos or videos or to 'share any confidential information you may hear or see during your visit'. Welcome to Google: the biggest, scariest, most powerful company on the planet. And now we're inside, we're not leaving until they tell us what the hell they're up to.

## ON 17 AUGUST LAST YEAR, GOOGLE CRASHED FOR FIVE WHOLE MINUTES.

As a result, 40% of the planet's internet traffic shuddered to a halt. It was as if some celestial overlord had pressed pause on half the world. That's the power of Google. Not since 1463, when Johannes Gutenberg invented the mechanical type printing press, has any new invention empowered individuals and transformed the way we access information.

Google's almighty search engine, which handles 3.5 billion queries daily, has become so entwined into our lives that it's hard to remember how we survived without it. Its colourful, childish logo on pure white is now as recognisable to us as our own face in the mirror. Its predictive algorithms have become so complex that it seems to know what we're searching for before we do. And its magical ability to answer any query in a split second has made it more than just a bottomless encyclopedia of news and knowledge, but an almost natural extension of our very brains.

"We have embedded Google into our lives so that it has become as natural to us as oxygen," says Siva Vaidhyanathan, media professor at the University of Virginia and author of *The Googlization Of Everything*. "The company's mission statement is to 'organise the world's information and make it universally accessible and useful', but that goes far beyond your computer, your phone or even the internet itself – Google has a self-declared mission to become the operating system of your life."

Indeed, Google doesn't just 'do' search anymore. That's what pays the bills, but recent years have seen the tech giant snap up tech start-ups like a Russian oligarch at a yacht sale. In the 10 years since its Initial Public Offering (IPO), Google has spent at least ₹1,419,646,250,000 buying more than 140 companies (including YouTube and Android, of course). But in the last two years, it's bought firms specialising in robots, artificial intelligence, product-delivery drones, driverless cars and smart homes. And last year, Google acquired Calico, a biotech life-extension firm with a mission, as *TIME* magazine put it, to 'cure death'.

## A BRIEF HISTORY OF GOOGLE



1995

Founders Larry Page and Sergey Brin meet at Stanford University

## IT'S ONE O'CLOCK IN THE AFTERNOON, AND WE'RE QUEUING FOR LUNCH AT ONE OF GOOGLE'S TWO MAIN RESTAURANTS.

Standing in front of us is a man of about 24, casually dressed in jeans and a yellow T-shirt. Perched precariously on his head is a Google-coloured propeller-cap with the word 'Noogler' stitched across. He looks ridiculous, but we tell him it's a strong look. "It's my first day so I have to wear it," he says. "New Googlers are called Nooglers. Get it?" We ask how his first day is going. "It's amazing. Have you ever seen cooler offices than these? I'm going to get my free massage after lunch." With that, he taps the propeller into a mini-twizzle and wanders off towards the gourmet canapé counter.

Standing in line, it is quite clear that Googlers have it good. For starters, absolutely everything is free, from the packets of Polos in confectionary baskets to the herb-crusted guinea fowl with carrot and parsnip mash we've just piled on to our plate. On the wall there are posters with inspirational mottos such as, 'Keep calm and eat vegetables' and 'Eat healthy, be nutrition wealthy'.

"Our mission in the food team is to inspire and enable the Googlers to make healthy choices and really enable them to be at their best," Jim Glass, the company's European food services manager tells us over lunch. "That's important because the Google food team supports Google as a company so Googlers can eat good food that's good for the brain that helps them avoid the highs and lows that come from eating too many carbs."

Free food is not the only perk to working at Google; the offices themselves have more than a touch of the Willy Wonkas (employees even refer to it occasionally as 'the chocolate factory'). There's a library with beanbags; sofa-lined workspaces; a state-of-the-art gym; a massage parlour offering treatments from facial-rejuvenation to Reiki; and a roof-top allotment area where Googlers grow their own vegetables. There's a ball pool on the sixth floor, between marketing and events and a 'happing pod' for when the fun gets too much. One of the canteens has a pool table, a fussball table, a table-tennis table and a candyfloss machine. We feel as though we've stumbled into a sort of open-plan Shangri-La. No wonder everyone we pass seems so chuffed with themselves. "Our team mission is happy, healthy and productive Googlers," says Yvonne Agyei, vice president of Global

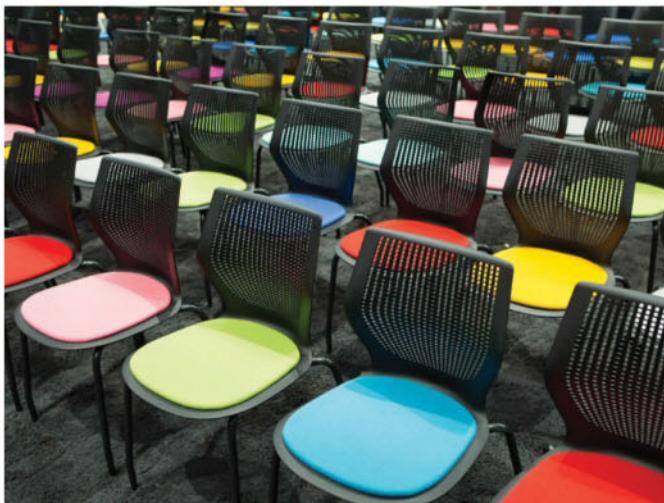


1998

Sun Microsystems co-founder Andy Bechtolsheim writes a cheque for \$100,000 and Google Inc. is born



Peter Barron, one of the company's European aces



Google!

1998

The first 'Google doodle' is published to let visitors to the homepage know that the company's minders are offline at the Burning Man Festival in Nevada

2000

AdWords, a self-service program for creating online advertising campaigns, is introduced



2004

Google launches Gmail. It includes features like speedy search, huge amounts of free storage and threaded messages

2004

The company goes public on 19 August for ₹5,249 a share, raising around ₹123,504,864,056 in the process



2005

Google Maps and Google Earth are launched



2006

YouTube is purchased for ₹101,866,875,000 »



Canteen, with candyfloss and popcorn machines just out of shot (really)



Late-night YouTube tinkering

**2007**

Google launches Android, an open platform for mobile devices

**2008**

Chrome – the tech giant's very own web browser – is released

**2010**

The company announces that it has developed the technology for driverless cars

**2011**

The Android Market exceeds 10 billion app downloads with a growth rate of one billion app downloads per month

**2012**

Google Glass is unveiled

**2013**

Google acquires Calico, a biotech company with a mission to prolong life

Benefits. "We find that when people are more engaged in the workplace, they do more work. Yesterday we threw a well-being day with a sleep workshop, laughter yoga and free hugs from Winnie the Pooh."

A cynic might say it feels more Hotel California than Disneyland Florida, and rather creates an environment that ensures workers never actually leave. But we're here to learn.

There's another way of making colleagues happy too: cold-hard cash. "We have a programme called Peer Bonuses to recognise people who have gone above and beyond," says Yvonne. "Each Googler is allocated five ₹9,674 bonuses a quarter with which they can reward colleagues who help them out. There's no maximum as to how many you can receive."

Intrigued, we set out to learn more. But we don't want to hear it from a Willy Wonka; we want to talk to the Oompa Loompas themselves. So, after some wrangling, we manage to blag entry to the company's end-of-week party, TGIF, or, Thank Google It's Friday. It's held in the canteen where we ate our lunch a day earlier. We arrive a couple of hours late because it started at 4pm. We've already missed the magician, but the DJ is still on, mixing *Champagne Supernova* with something by Taylor Swift. About 100 Googlers, none over the age of 35, are milling about drinking free wine and Becks. We sit down at a table with some nice-looking people to find, that even at Google, you sometimes have to put up with shit.

"I gave a peer bonus recently to a colleague who helped take clients to and from a VIP dinner," says Matthew from marketing. "Not only was she sporting a black eye from fighting off muggers the night before, but at the dinner, she spotted dog poo on the pavement outside and took it upon herself to guard it while escorting clients around." Stephen from PR adds: "It doesn't matter what you do for a peer bonus, whether it's inputting data or picking up poo. It's about helping each other out." Can Googlers really be this upbeat all the time? "We're wankers at dinner parties," Stephen says, chugging his beer. "People get depressed about their jobs and they hate us for being so happy in ours."

## IN THE 15 OR SO MINUTES SINCE YOU STARTED READING THIS STORY, GOOGLE HAS MADE ₹106,685,322

– almost five times more than Facebook and Yahoo combined. Ninety percent of that figure comes from the targeted ads that pop up each time you search.

But search alone does not pay. Google's founders

**2013**

Boston Dynamics, a robotics firm, is purchased

Sergey Brin and Larry Page learned that the hard way after they launched the company from a friend's garage in Menlo Park, California, in 1998. Then, both just 25 years old, the pair of scruffy, slightly weird PhD students invented an ultimate algorithm that trumped rivals by judging the relevance of a webpage, not solely by the keywords it contained, but by how many other webpages linked to it. Today that remains Google's 'special sauce'.

But by 2000, they were running out of money. "While Brin and Page didn't care about getting rich," writes David A Vise in *The Google Story*, "[they knew] if the business couldn't sustain itself, they would not be able to fulfill their vision of making all of the world's information easily available to users without charge." They came up with AdWords – an auction-based advertising system that allows businesses to bid for ad space on results pages. Almost overnight, Google the Search Machine became Google the Money Machine, with information as its life source. "We live in the information age where access to information is so important," Peter Barron, Google's head of communications in northern Europe, tells us. "To put that into context, a kid in Africa now has more access to the world's information than the president of the United States had 15 years ago. The internet has transformed the world in an extraordinary way."

## IN TODAY'S WORLD, INFORMATION IS POWER.

And to control the world's flow of information is, surely, to control the world. That's not, of course, what Google would have us believe. "We are not controlling the world's information but giving people access to it," says Peter, who was also former editor of BBC's *Newsnight*. "The only thing that brings people back to Google every day is the fact that they like the service that we offer. There's nothing that persuades them. And if people want to use a different service, then they are free to do so."

Why, then, has Google tripled its annual lobbying budget – used to get into the ears of politicians in Brussels – to ₹123,447,500 since 2010? And in Washington, its attempts to guide policy makers' hands has cost more than ₹574,519,125 already this year, making it the second-biggest spender among private companies.

"We talk to governments all over the world and that is painted as 'lobbying', which is seen somehow as a dirty word that we should be ashamed of," Peter says, growing slightly impatient. "They are asking us questions all around the world and we need to be in a position to answer those questions." And what about the probe by European lawlords into claims that Google is muscling out smaller competitors by

**2014**

Google buys NEST, a smart home start-up

**2014**

The company buys DeepMind, an artificial intelligence start-up

favouring its own services on search results over theirs? "We've worked very closely with Europe to resolve those issues," says Peter. "Don't forget there was a similar case in the US that has now been closed. So every aspect of our business has been looked at in great detail over a total of more than eight years and we have been found not to have abused our position."

So far, so Google. But according to Siva, there's more to worry about than the fact Google has single-handedly ruined the pub quiz for everyone. "Google is not about moving data on a flat screen anymore; it's about monitoring and monetising and tracking data in every aspect of our lives," he says. "The beauty of its strategy is that every time you put some information through one of its services, you tell Google's giant artificial brain a bit about yourself, whether it's how you drive, what you email about, what you're looking at, where you go. All that feeds the value of advertising."

If you want a real insight into what Google plans for our future, you could do worse than look at its top-secret testing lab in California, Google X. That's where Google Glass and driverless cars were conceived. It's where its elite team of 'moonshooters' – who literally have job titles like 'captain of moonshot' and 'head of getting moonshots ready for contact with the real world' – are reportedly trying to conquer all manner of sci-fi fantasies from teleportation to hoverboards, as well as an actual elevator that travels into space (unlike Willy Wonka's, theirs is not, apparently, made of glass).

## WE ARE BEGINNING TO OUTSTAY OUR WELCOME.

Our attempts to probe one junior Googler at the free coffee station about Google's Grand Plan has already resulted in being told we're not very 'Googly' – the term used in-house to determine whether a prospective employee would 'fit in' at the company. Then we hear Matt Brittin, former Olympic rower and a Google vice president, has entered the building. We find him in his glass-walled office with spectacular views across



Google  
after dark

London. Matt himself is tall and muscular, dressed in suit trousers and an open-collared blue shirt (nobody wears ties at Google). He is disarmingly friendly too, and very slick. "What we are doing is trying to put the internet in the pocket of as many people as possible," he tells us. "Today, there are 2.5 billion people online. By 2020, there will be 5 billion people, most of whom – if things continue to go the way they are – will be using a device powered by Android. For me, the sense of purpose in trying to make the world a better place is genuinely there. We want to remind you that we built Google for users, not for profit." Why, then, didn't Google just leave it at search? "We're optimistic about putting technology to work to solve big problems for millions of people," says Matt. "So we are putting efforts into new areas like health, transportation and robotics, where our skills in computer science may bring breakthroughs that have as large an impact on people as the search function has over the past 15 years." Siva sees it differently: "Google is a company like any other. It is operating in the best interests of its shareholders. There's nothing wrong with that, of course – it only becomes a problem when we forget it."

## OUR TIME AT GOOGLE IS UP.

We can stay no longer; even the lovely receptionist seems a little wary of our presence now. Standing in the cold, looking up at its towering London HQ, seeing workers head happily home after a long day of datasheets and table tennis, it is quite clear that as far as these people are concerned, there are few places nicer to work than at Google. We also get the lingering feeling that they genuinely believe what they are doing is for the good of humanity. Probably most of it is.

Still, says Siva, it's not a done deal. "Apple, Microsoft and Facebook all want to play that role of operating systems of our lives too. It's just that they aren't in the same place. I have to say, though, my suspicion is that Google's will be a benevolent dictatorship; I'd sooner choose that over Facebook."

Like it or not, the future is coming, and that future is looking more Googly by the day. It's a future where a computer plans your holidays, delivers your shopping and anticipates your every whim; where monetisable data flows through everything, from your fridge to your clothes to your every interaction with other human beings. And if you have a problem with that, just remember to file your complaint via email... there's absolutely no point in doing it by phone.



## GLOSSARY OF TERMS USED IN-HOUSE AT GOOGLE

### Googler

Someone who works at Google

### Noogler

New Googler

### Gaygler

Gay community

### Jewgler

Jewish community

### Xoogler

Ex-Googler

### Gleegler

Member of the glee club

### Woogler

Welsh Googler

### Doogler

Dog of a Googler

### Indoogler

Indian Googler

### Greylers

Googlers over 40

1931

Construction for one of the biggest man made structures begins.

1935

USS Macon crashes off the cost of San Francisco.

1942

Hangar One used to house planes during the second world war. Air Corps takes over the facility.

1960

Early American jet fighters find a home at Hangar One, though are moved out later.

1965

Hangar One nominated as a US Navy historic site.

1966

Structure is designated as a Naval Historical Monument.

# GOOGLE GETS NASA HANGAR

**AN OLD DIRIGIBLE HANGAR FOR MORE THAN A BILLION DOLLARS? WHAT EVIL PLANS ARE AFOOT?**

Why does an internet search engine want to lease a derelict NASA hangar? Having acquired no less than 170 different companies in the past decade and a half, including a shopping spree that included several robotics firms in 2013 and at least three artificial intelligence research outfits this year, we'll say Google probably has world domination on its mind.

The 'Hangar One' at Moffett Federal Airfield in the heart of Silicon Valley has been taken on lease by Google owned Planetary Ventures, LLC for a period of 60 years at \$1.16 billion. The lease will see Planetary Ventures invest another \$200 million for refurbishing the historic Hangar One and keeping the legacy of the site alive by creating an educational facility for visitors. Once the renovations are complete, Hangar One will see Google use the facility for R&D in areas of space exploration, aviation and rover/robotics.

Hangar One is an important landmark in America's early aviation history and was constructed in 1933 by the US Navy to house its airship, the USS Macon. When built during the golden age of aviation, it was one of the biggest man made structures in the world and is an imposing sight even today. But the airship that it was supposed to house, was destroyed in an accident in 1935 and after that it was used to house aircraft. It was designated a Naval Historical Monument in 1966 and the NASA took over the reigns of the airfield and the hangar in 1996.

1977

Hangar designated as Historic American Engineering Record.

1996

Patrol Squadron 31 operating out of Moffett is disestablished.



## SO WHAT IS GOOGLE GOING TO DO WITH A NATIONAL MONUMENT?

Google runs a secretive Google X facility, a sort of skunkworks project which works on classified programmes. The Google Glass and the driverless car are two of the projects that have come out from this hush-hush lab. And having a facility as huge as an airship hangar at its disposal is nothing short of exciting. Just imagine the kind of stuff they can do with that kind of space? Apart from throwing parties for staff. The bit about research in robotics makes most sense. Last year, Google acquired Boston Dynamics, a robot design firm which worked for the military. It's best known for its 'Big Dog' quadrupedal

2006

Structure listed as one of 11 most endangered historic places in US.

2003

Discovery of toxic lead paint used to cover the outer structure of the hangar.



robot that looks like a dog. More recently the firm made Atlas, a humanoid robot that pulled off a Karate Kid move when it stood on one leg. So if our guess is correct, and we hope that it is, the world will soon be full of humanoid robot butlers that know everything from the recipe for apple pie to medieval history. So long Jeeves.

Unless it's something far less interesting. Something that a hangar is actually built for.

## GOOGLE USES PRIVATE JETS TOO

Well that's a bummer. Corporate jets used by senior company executives are already housed at the Moffet Air field and there were reports last year that the company officials had been getting cheap NASA fuel. Apparently, a misunderstanding between the company that leases Google the planes and NASA led



to the 'mix-up' where company jets were fuelled with discounted fuel and the state of California ended up losing tax revenue.

**2009**

Used as location for shooting of Star Trek remake.

**2011**

External panels removed, leaving the skeleton of the structure.

**2011**

Page, Brin and Schmidt offer to pay for the restorations.

## THE OTHER 'BIG' GOOGLE STRUCTURE

Google built four mystery barges between 2010 and 2012. And Google was its usual coy self about their purpose. They were possibly built as luxury showrooms for Google Glasses. The barges were finally shut down because of fire safety concerns since they were carrying 5,000 gallons of fuel on deck.

# HOW GEEK GOT SEXY

Nerdiness has always been big, but now it's big business. *FHM* counts down the ways geeks finally got cool



Interviews: Ben Arnold

Illustrations: Robbie's Brown Shoes

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## HIP HOP IS RUN BY DWEEBS

Rap music, traditionally associated with violence, money-lust and sex, is now part and parcel of the geek universe. The proof:



**Ice T**  
Makes videos of himself unboxing Apple products.



**Govinda**  
Sang the famous 'what is mobile number' song in late 90s.



**Pharrell**  
Has a Star Trek obsession.



**Kanye**  
Wrote a song about RoboCop.



**Yo Yo Honey Singh**  
Makes music videos about phones and chargers. Has also launched an app.



**Nindy Kaur**  
Made a song on believe it or not - BBM.

The fringe says Stone Roses while the salt-and-pepper streaks say 'wise like the father you never had'.

Blissed-out science smile.

A jacket suitable for the chilly plains of Patagonia. Also useful if you want to make a beer run to the daily.

Supple hands useful for gesticulating at cameras when attempting to convey how our galaxy is, like, really, really, really big.

Professor Brian Cox's show *Wonders of the Universe* is on Discovery HD

## Nº 02 PHYSICS GOT A FRONTMAN

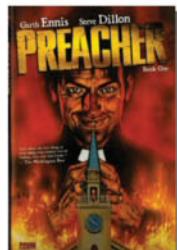
### Nº 03 COMICS ARE FINALLY COOL

► Four graphic novels that proved it's OK to like speech bubbles...



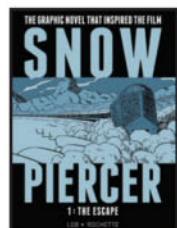
**Batman: The Dark Knight Returns**

Given a new lease of life since Christopher Nolan's much-loved Batman trilogy.



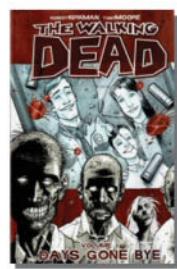
**Preacher**

Religion, death, humour, weirdness and an alcoholic vampire. An exhilarating read.



**Snowpiercer**

Crazy French sci fi, now come to prominence thanks to a brilliant film adaptation.



**Walking Dead**

Ignore the TV show: this is the funniest, coolest thing featuring zombies since forever.

## Nº 04 WE NERDED OUT OVER BEER

Real ale – long the preserve of intolerable, pipe-smoking bores – has undergone a total image overhaul. It's now totally OK to wax lyrical about your favourite microbrewery while sipping an obscure IPA from a limited-edition bottle. Just make sure you can tell the difference between the old-school and new-school beer aficionado...

The look

**Old-school:** pot bellied, might or might not have a beard.

**New-school:** dashboard abs, knows a thing or two about wine and wears ironic t-shirts.

Accessories

**Old-school:** notepad and pencil for scribbling down phrases such as 'hoppy undertones combined with sublime meaty notes'.

**New-school:** an iPad with a craft beer app, allowing the user to tell his or her friends about the 15% porter stout that no one in their right mind would sniff, let alone drink.

The drink

**Old-school:** a pint of Cardinal's Stinky Finger – a thirst-

quenching IPA brewed by old blokes in the Midlands.

**New-school:** a pint from Doolally in Pune or The Biere Club, Bangalore – or thirst-quenching beer brewed by young blokes in Mumbai.

The setting

**Old-school:** a cosy village inn, replete with a dog snoozing by the fire and a jolly red-faced barman.

**New-school:** a pop-up brewbar located under disused railway arches.





**Nº 05**

## WE HAVE A GEEK FOR A PRIME MINISTER...

 He takes selfies after he has cast his vote, he sends out twitter challenges to celebrities and posts pictures to Instagram. Modi follows in the footsteps of Obama to become a proper geek in power. European political consultant Johannes Hillje tells us how Barack Obama nerded out to win the American presidency

Modi is the second most followed person in the free world with more than eight million followers on Twitter ahead of the Pope and behind only Obama.

Obama was the pioneer of political online campaigning. Having a young staff was definitely helpful. That generation grew up with digital media and knew all the tools, so utilising Twitter and Facebook was a very normal thing for them. If Obama's not a geek himself, then he certainly hired geeks to run his campaign for him. And that was the right choice to make; right now, he has around 44 million followers on Twitter, by far the most successful Twitter account a politician has. By contrast, Cameron has around 800,000. "If you look at a lot of other politicians, you can see that they've never posted anything themselves, it's only their staff behind it. They're probably not even aware of what's being sent out. Obama's advantage is he knows how Twitter works, he knows how Facebook works, he knows how Reddit works. On TV he'd be holding his Blackberry; it makes him look modern, unlike other politicians. These little symbols show he's being progressive, like him getting out of Air Force One with a Starbucks cup.

Follow Johannes on Twitter:  
@jhillje

**Nº 06**

## COFFEE GETS US GOING



 The humble cup of Joe used to be something you absentmindedly threw down your gullet when your energy levels needed a kick up the arse. Not any more. In 2014, coffee is something men are entirely unashamed to geek out over. These days there's no shame in wanting on your beans to be Kenyan, your press French and your nights twitchy and sleepless



 5. Caldai: The 'little tank' is where the water is heated.



**Nº 07**

## 8-BIT IS BEAUTIFUL

 Go all nostalgic over these pretty Commodore 64 prints



Nº 08



# MARVEL OWNS THE MULTIPLEX

If you were to time-travel back to the late '90s, march into a comic-book store and announce to the clientele that, within 15 years, superheroes would be the hottest properties in global entertainment and everyone who was hot, hip and sexy in Hollywood would be clamouring to get into spandex, you'd be laughed out of the place. Back then, Marvel had just filed for bankruptcy and the supremely shit *Batman & Robin* had comprehensively murdered the general public's interest in superheroes. The likes of Iron Man and Black Widow were of interest solely to hardcore geeks of the most cellar-dwelling, female-fearing kind. In 2014, however, starring in a Marvel-superhero movie is a rite of passage for fame-hungry young studs and starlets; a rock-solid stepping-stone from C-list to A-list status. We're now so used to this status-quo that its inherent weirdness only becomes apparent during those star-studded superhero-movie panels at Comic-Con: up on stage, the square-jawed

jocks and pixel-perfect popular-girls; grinning expectantly down in the seats, hundreds of goofy chess-club kids. Back in high school, these opposing groups would rarely have crossed paths but in the San Diego Convention Centre, united under the billowing cape of superheroics, they exist in perfect symbiosis. The most-fancied people on the planet are now intrinsically linked with the least-fancied – leaving everybody else looking in from the outside.

But with all Marvel's big names already in play – Spidey, X-Men, FF, Avengers – they're now having to dip into their second- and third-tier characters: Deadpool, Dr Strange, Daredevil and Ant-Man are all getting their own movies (or Netflix series, in Daredevil's case). By flooding the market with product, does Marvel risk making superhero movies less of an 'event' – and therefore less attractive to the likes of Johansson, Stone, Gillan and Lawrence? Let's pray to Galactus it ain't so...

Nº 09

## GREAT GEEKS OF THE SILVER SCREEN

Empire magazine's Nick de Semlyen lists the on-screen nerds who redeemed geekiness and made it cool...

### Scott Pilgrim (Michael Cera)

*Scott Pilgrim vs The World*

► The Canuck slacker hero of Edgar Wright's pinball-paced action flick is such a video game nerd that he names his band Sex Bob-omb, after the sentient bomb things in *Super Mario Bros.*

### Crowning moment of geekiness:

Can play the bassline from *Final Fantasy II* on the guitar.

### Mark Zuckerberg (Jesse Eisenberg)

*The Social Network*

► David Fincher's movie could have been called *Revenge Of The Nerd*, as the event which propels Zuckerberg to glory is his getting dumped by his girlfriend.

Vengeance is soon his as he uses his advanced HTML skills to design an insanely popular social-networking website. You might have heard of it.

**Crowning moment of geekiness:** Creating Facebook.

### Tony Stark (Robert Downey Jr)

*Iron Man franchise, Avengers Assemble*

► It might seem unfair to include a superhero in a list of movie geeks. But remember that behind the billion-dollar bank balance and dashing goatee is the mind of a science spod and his butler is a computer named J.A.R.V.I.S. – but go ahead, you try to give him a wedgie.

### Crowning moment of geekiness:

Programs a suit to talk to his girlfriend so he doesn't have to.

### Q (Ben Whishaw)

*Skyfall*

► Historically, Q in the Bond movies has

been a stuffy nitwit. But after a long disappearance from the Bond films (he wasn't in *Casino Royale* or *Quantum of Solace*), the character reappeared in *Skyfall* as a young dapper hipster genius in a Dries van Noten cardigan and black-rimmed glasses.

He's more than capable of trading quips with 007, and as he points out, "I can do more damage on my laptop in my pyjamas than you can do in a year in the field."

### Crowning moment of geekiness:

The new Q guides Bond around the London Underground while sipping from a fashionable Scrabble letter mug.

### Lisbeth Salander (Noomi Rapace)

*The Girl With The Dragon Tattoo*

► First of all, she has a really cool tattoo. Secondly, she's the hacking equivalent of Miss Marple, a brilliant detective capable of cracking cold cases while simultaneously checking her Twitter feed. Complete with bleached eyebrows, piercings and a jet-black mohawk, she's a geek who could absolutely kick your ass.

### Crowning moment of geekiness:

Uses hacking powers to steal \$260 million from a rich bad'un's bank account.

Nº 10

## GEEKY PILGRIMAGES ARE A THING...

### UNACCEPTABLE



Dragoncon, Georgia, USA



The Games Workshop factory, Nottingham



Google's Data Centre, North Carolina



Large Hadron Collider, Switzerland

### ACCEPTABLE

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Nº 11



## SPACE IS FUN AGAIN

After decades of faffing about and achieving not much, the world's governments have given the galactic go-ahead for private companies to take to the stars themselves. The result? We're all excited about going to space again! Here are the big ones:

### Virgin Galactic

**The boss:** Cheerful Virgin overlord Richard Branson

**Net worth:** £3.9 billion

**What they want:** To take you into space... for about 10 minutes.

Low-orbital space travel, y'see.

**When's blast-off?** 2015

### SpaceX

**The boss:** Billionaire PayPal founder Elon Musk

**Net worth:** a cool \$9.6 billion

**What they want:** To make space travel affordable.

**When's blast-off?** SpaceX have just begun testing their methane-powered, super-heavy Raptor engines.

### Bigelow Aerospace

**The boss:** Mega-rich hotel magnate Richard Bigelow

**Net worth:** \$1 billion

**What they want:** To manufacture trippy-looking expandable space station modules that can be assembled in space.

**When's blast-off?** Bigelow wants to install space stations on Earth's orbit and a moon base in the next 10 years.

### Planetary Resources

**The boss:** Entrepreneur, best-selling author and engineer Peter Diamandis.

**Net worth:** \$4.6 billion

**What they want:** To mine the hell out of asteroids.

**When's blast off:** 'Asteroid-locator satellite' Arkyd 100 launches 2015

### Mars One

**The boss:** Dutch science loon Bas Lansdorp and John de Mol, the guy who created *Big Brother*.

**Net worth:** de Mol has \$2.2 billion

**What they want:** To set up human colonies on Mars. And then film it all for a reality television series. Seriously.

**When's blast off:** Together with Endemol, the company wants humans on Mars by 2025.

Nº 12

## WE GEEK OUT OVER TRAINERS

Morgan Weekes has over 100 pairs of trainers. He's what you might call a trainer geek – but don't call him an addict...

**I don't like the word 'addicted'.** I consider myself a collector. But I suppose it has addictive attributes to it. I look at them all the time. I always know what's coming out, when it's coming out, how much they're going to be.

**It used to be considered a bit weird** because it's excessive. You have to have a little bit of obsessive compulsive in you.

**I've got about 10 pairs I wear in rotation.** I remember the first time I bought a pair with no intention of wearing them. It was a pair of white Adidas Top Tens. They were pure white. They were such a lovely pair of trainers, I thought, "You know what, I'll buy two pairs." It all started then.

**The first pair I bought with my own money?** A pair of all-black Nike Air Force Ones. I wore them as school shoes.

### When I had to start storing trainers in the attic was when I realised I was a collector.

There would be pairs I knew were worth a lot of money, and I'd be too scared to wear them. But it's every sneaker head's 'oh shit' moment when you start running out of room. I've got mates who rent storage facilities. It's got that bad. But a ₹972 pair take up the same space as a ₹9,728 pair.

### The classics everyone should have?

The Adidas ZX8000 in the original teal colour way. Nike Air Max 1 in Sport Red. The Nike Air Max 90 Infrared. The Nike Huarache Scream Greens. Asics Gel Saga. And I'm a big fan of Nike Air Jordan 1s.

**They've got to be comfy.** Stuff like Adidas ZX Flux, Nike Roshe Runs, Adidas Boost and Adidas Flyknits is what I wear every day. I hate a hard sole.

**I once missed out on a pair of Air Mags.** You know, the ones from *Back To The Future*? They

were going at a charity auction, and were going for thousands. I really wanted a pair, but I just didn't have the money at the time. I would have worn them.

**You have to know what shoes are worth.** And it's about what they're worth to you. I'm not a rich person. But the most I've laid out is ₹58,370 for a three-shoe deal, three pairs of Asics at ₹19,400 each, all designed by New York designer Ronnie Feig. That's not even that much considering how much some pairs go for these days.

### I've stopped doing the crazy spending now.

Now it's about bargains, and old stuff I can get for cheap. The average for a pair? About ₹7,783. The shoes coming out for under ₹9,728 these days are great. Adidas do their customising program for ₹8,270. I've got a pair with Conan The Barbarian on.

Morgan works for Crepe City, a community of sneaker enthusiasts which runs a sneaker festival.



### THE SIGNS YOU'RE A TRAINER ADDICT

Your 'dossing around' trainers – the pair you wear when it's lashing it down – are more pristine and expensive than all of your mates' 'special occasion' trainers.



► When you ask others where they got their trainers, there's a hint of anger in your voice that sounds like you're accusing them of having stolen those trainers off you.

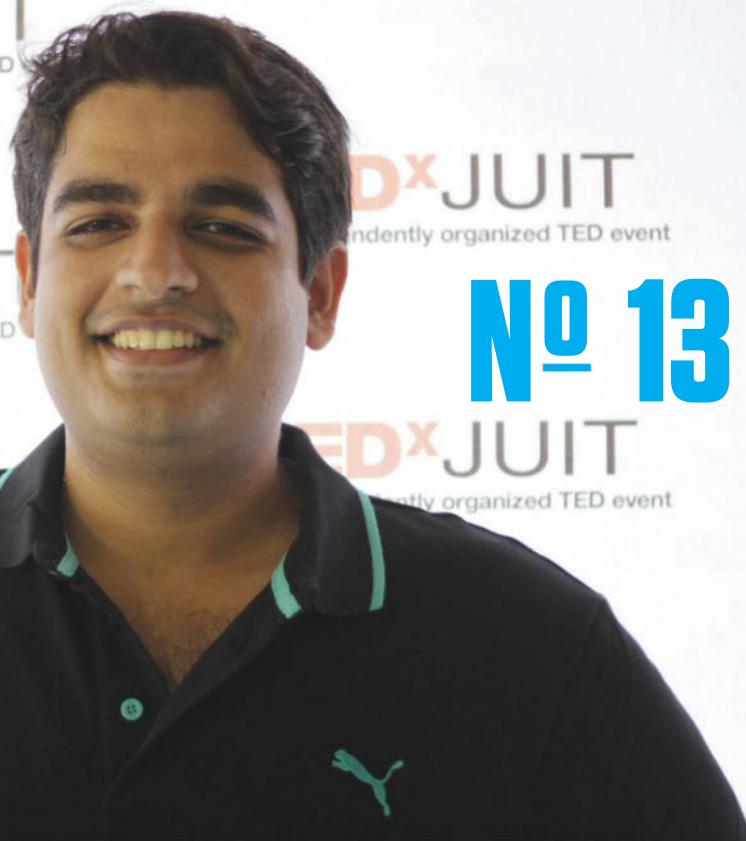
► You own at least one pair of ultra-limited-edition trainers that are so revolting, they're completely unwearable. But at the time, you simply had to buy them, there and then.

► You had a row with your girlfriend in a branch of Size? when she demanded to know why you were "wasting ₹8,756 on a pair of trainers you've already got." You

patiently pointed out that these ones had a *gym* red overlay rather than an *atomic* red overlay, but she just huffed off to Topshop. Tsk. Is she blind or something?

► You have a secret toothbrush specifically for cleaning your shoe collection. And it gets used a lot.

# APPS ARE ALL THINGS TO ALL MEN



Nº 13

Gaurav Munjal invented Flatchat, which has pretty much solved the problem of finding an accommodation for the immigrant population in big cities. Think you've got an app that could revolutionise the world? Well, listen to Gaurav!

## APPS THAT HAVE TAKEN OVER THE WORLD

Apps have definitely made lives hassle free. Finding the solution to most of the problems at the click of a fingertip is a phenomenal development. From searching for a restaurant to finding a flat mate, apps help save a lot of time and energy. The usefulness of many apps is unknown until you actually use them.

## YOU DON'T NEED EXPERIENCE TO MAKE YOUR OWN APP

You cannot write a book without ever reading similarly you cannot build an app without using apps. So you should have tried a lot of apps yourself. Apart from that you need to know what works and what doesn't.

## WRITE A DIARY OF EVERYTHING YOU DO

Not sure if it makes any sense. But start writing all ideas and feedback and all action given to you by initial testers. Constantly try and think how the app can have better features, how to create it in a way so that it will help more and more people find a way.

## WORK OUT YOUR DESIGN

When thinking about the design you have to look at the basic human behavior on how would people interact with that particular problem offline as in without the app. Once you know that it's really important to figure out how people would use your app and how their life would become easier with your app. Once these questions are answered designing becomes a piece of cake. Its simplicity is that it is difficult to build. The design should become a part of people's habit.

## TEST YOUR IDEA ON 500 PEOPLE

I think testing an idea on people is necessary since it validates your ideas. Build a basic version of app to test it out. It is like getting the first set of feedback on how you have performed. On the basis of people's views, you can work on the app to make it more user friendly and helpful.

Tried making an app? Didn't succeed? Follow these simple steps from Gaurav Munjal to successfully make one!

## RARE APPS!

Downloads you want but you can't have 'em because they've gone...

### Flappy Bird

Horribly-addictive, monstrously-popular flapping simulator. The creator took it down saying: "I'm the master of my own fate."

### Remote File Manager

A very anonymously-named Super Nintendo emulator that got noticed and taken down after a few months. Boo.

### Hidden Apps

A cheeky programme which let you hide the default Apple apps. Sling your hook. Compass, you useless tosser.

### EyeTV

An ingenious app which let you watch live TV. You could even record them too. Like Jesus Christ, it was too good for this world.

Nº 14



The numbers that show we've all gone app crazy

In June this year Apple announced that its App Store had passed the **75BN** downloads mark. (Google Play is a bit behind at a measly 50 billion).

On an average day customers download

**800**

Apple apps per second.

In 2009 the total global revenue of worldwide app downloads amounted to

**\$830M**

Today the worldwide revenue of the App Store stands at \$8.3bn.

There are currently more than

**1.3M**

mobile apps available to download. Twenty per cent of these are games – by far the most popular type of app.

Google Maps in the most used app in the UK with

**6.4M**

unique users in April 2014 alone. Second is Yahoo Weather with 3.57m.

## Nº 19 NERDS RUN POP MUSIC

▶ *Ten years ago spoddy bedroom-based producers were writing songs but kept out of the spotlight. Today, as shown by the rise and rise of geek-done-good Calvin Harris, they're taking to the stage themselves (after getting dental surgery, obviously)*



## Nº 20 AVENGERS STUFF

▶ *The latest Marvel sci-fi franchise has some awesome goods for grown-ups...*



Avengers Teeshirt, ebay.in ₹525

Thor's hammer keyring, snapdeal.com ₹675

Ironman pendrive, ebay.in ₹ 699

## Nº 21 HOW TO SURVIVE IN SILICON VALLEY

▶ *Give a shit about microchips? Then the southern part of the San Francisco Bay area in California, known as Silicon Valley, is your Mecca. High-flying tech hot shots Andrew Hutchings and Mark Atwood tell FHM how to fit in...*

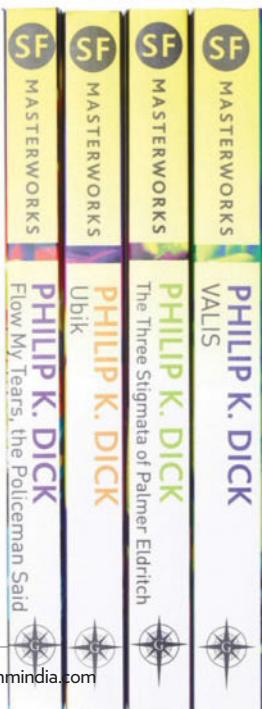
**Know your beans**  
**Andrew:** "Develop a good taste for coffee, because people talk about it a lot over there. All the big tech sectors in the world seem to have really good local coffee. To many of the geeks out there, good coffee is like spinach to Popeye. It powers them."

**Get Burned**  
**Andrew:** "Going to Burning Man festival in Nevada at least once will make you popular. It's seen as a badge of honour and my peers out there are always talking about it. I think it's all about freedom of expression."

**Prepare for weird**  
**Mark:** "The majority of developers that you meet out there are usually very intense, and pretty geeky. Introversion and mild 'Asperger' type personalities are very common. It can be quite intense."

**Learn a language**  
**Mark:** "In terms of practical skills you really have to know programming languages. Modern JavaScript and Git are the must-haves, Java if you do enterprise stuff, C# if you are a Microsoft shop, C if you do embedded programs."

**Spot the signs**  
**Andrew:** "You can tell if someone's a software engineer just by looking at them. They'll be wearing combat trousers and casual shirt (or some kind of geeky t-shirt) and maybe sandals too. You can also judge by the number of stickers on their laptop."



Nº 22 + 25

## THE UNFATHOMABLE GENIUS OF ONE MAN

▶ *In his lifetime the writer Philip K. Dick was considered an interesting – if overly-weird – sci fi writer. Now, 32 years after his death, he's rightfully recognised as a mad visionary whose ideas have been ripped off by every half-decent Hollywood sci fi film you can name. If you're ready to have your mind turned inside out we recommend starting with these...*

**Flow My Tears, the Policeman Said**

**The skinny:** A dystopian future America, ruled over by a police-appointed dictator, serves as the backdrop for a tale about a popular TV entertainer whose life falls apart after coming into contact with a nasty parasite life-form thing.

**Mind melt element:** The main character essentially wakes up to discover he does not – as far as anyone can tell – exist.

**Ubik**

**The skinny:** A rollicking action adventure story that involves a psychic task force, corporate espionage and unintentional time travel.

**Mind-melt element:** As the plot unfolds, concepts such as life, death, reality and time all become increasingly wobbly.

**The Three Stigmata of Palmer Eldritch**

**The skinny:** Colonists on Mars get

bored, take psychotropic drugs and play with dolls. This indirectly leads to a bunch of people encountering an individual who may or not be God.

**Mind-melt element:** The book's so full of holograms, lucid dreams and narcotic abuse that it's basically impossible to determine what in the story is actually "real".

**VALIS**

**The skinny:** Dick's weirdest, most conceptual novel. A semi-autobiography focusing on the time the author believed he fell through a portal into ancient Roman times.

**Mind-melt element:** Every page will make you feel as if your brain is going through a psychedelic paper shredder.



INSIDE THE SKY  
SPORTS NEWS STUDIO

01. The 18-metre, curved video wall, showing the presenters and audience breaking news.

02. The social media desk, where reporters search through Twitter, Facebook and other channels, looking for stories.

03. Teleprompters.

04. Cameras, all of which are remote operated. This allows operators to sit away from the set, using controls similar to a high tech remote control car. This ensures a clean studio visual and smooth running.

05. Sofa area for interviews.

06. Keyboards that allow the presenters to access computer screens embedded in the desk, (you can just about see them, but they're invisible to viewers).

# Nº 26 FOOTBALL IS ALL ABOUT THE NUMBERS

**►** Manchester City's director of football services Simon Wilson was one of the original trailblazers of 'performance analysis' – the use of advanced software to track players' every action throughout matches. He tells FHM how tech changed the beautiful game...

The acceptance of technology in football was a total cultural shift. Around 2004, a few managers started using new software that tracked players' performances during matches. Those teams, like Bolton under Sam Allardyce, started to over-achieve and people took notice. Technology became sexy, in the same way that Apple Macs turned from being worky, techy, geeky things into desirable and needed objects.

At first players were easier to persuade than coaching staff. With this kind of technology you're essentially challenging the very existence of a coach. Instead of their opinion, you can just look at what the facts actually are. Players are interested in that. They're already surrounded by opinion; on the radio, the fans, the coach, the manager, other team mates. It's the data that puts facts on the table. Most players just want to be the

best they can be. If you're giving them data which can make them better, they're appreciative of that.

One coach I used to work with could sometimes be publicly dismissive about the technology. After a game, we got back onto the team bus, having lost. I was the first person in his eye line, and he said, 'Why don't we get our laptop to play their laptop next week and see how we get on'. It got a big laugh. But it was at a time when I was trying to establish my work. It all could have died right then. Luckily there were people around who saw substance in it.

*Sky Sports News HQ can be found on channel 401*





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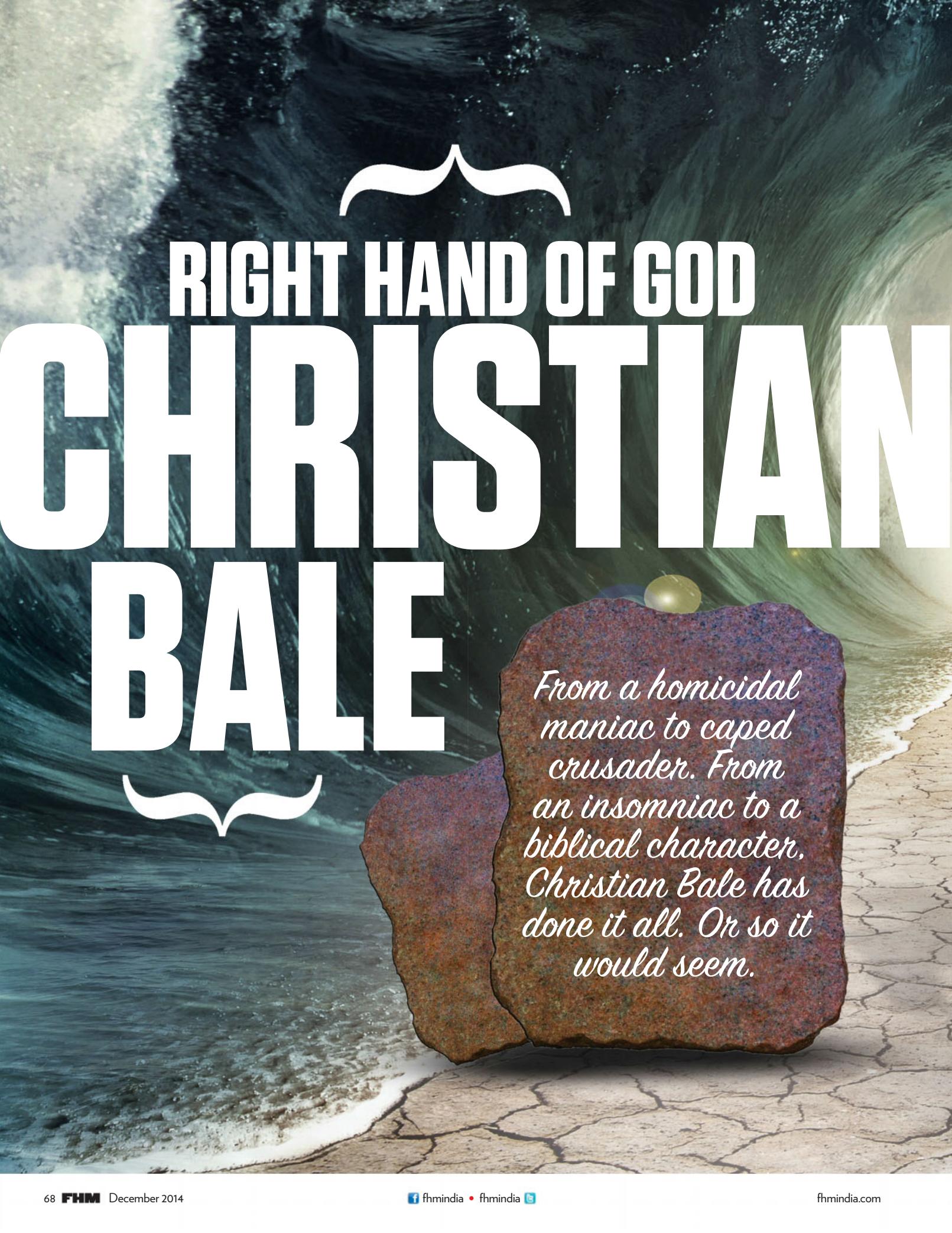
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# RIGHT HAND OF GOD CHRISTIAN BALE

*From a homicidal maniac to caped crusader. From an insomniac to a biblical character, Christian Bale has done it all. Or so it would seem.*



**C**hristian Bale, 40, stars as Moses in the highly anticipated period drama, Exodus: Gods and Kings. The Welsh-born actor has been on a roll in the last few years with the Fighter, for which he earned a Best Actor Academy award (2010) and followed up with an Oscar nomination for Best Actor for American Hustle (2013).

In his private life Bale is married to Sandra 'Sibi' Blazic, a former model, makeup artist and one-time assistant to Winona Ryder. The notoriously protective couple has two children whom they are raising in Los Angeles; a daughter, Emmeline, born in 2005, and a son born in August this year, whose name has not yet been released.

#### **What was your reaction when Ridley Scott asked you to play Moses?**

I said, 'Me as Moses?' (laughs). It's a big task, and of course we are taking our license with it because every Bible movie takes their license. So, I read The Bible and I read parts of the Koran that were pertinent to Moses. They are essentially interpretations because everything is an interpretation if you are not reading it in the original language.

I also watched Life of Brian and I watched History of the World by Mel Brooks. Because I thought, I love Life of Brian, a fantastic film, and I had never seen History of the World. I read the Torah and Legends of the Jews because he's an incredibly important prophet.

#### **Ridley Scott said that for him you were the definition of Moses.**

I don't know if that's a compliment, (laughter) because I think the man was slightly schizophrenic, (laughter) and one of the most barbaric individuals that I ever read about in my life. Now we don't broach all of that in the film and I respect completely that he is the major prophet in Judaism, and a major prophet in Islam and Christianity, and the story is one which is just beyond resonant in human history. But the man was an absolute contradiction. I mean, he did phenomenal things and it's a story of revolution and he did free these slaves who were being kept in a fascist



# **The best of American Psycho**

**"I like to dissect girls. Did you know I'm utterly insane?"**

**"You're a fucking ugly bitch. I want to stab you to death, and then play around with your blood."**

**"I know that your friends are my friends and, uh... I've thought about that. You can have 'em."**



"Pumpkin, you're dating the biggest dickweed in New York. Pumpkin, you're dating a tumbling, tumbling dickweed."

"My need to engage in homicidal behaviour on a massive scale cannot be corrected but, uh, I have no other way to fulfill my needs."

"I don't want to get you drunk, but, ah, that's a very fine Chardonnay you're not drinking."

**"Hey, I'm a child of divorce, gimme a break!"**

"I think if you stay, something bad will happen. I think I might hurt you. You don't want to get hurt, do you?"

state as slave labourers and it was sort of genocide by slave labour. They'd just throw them at these monuments and if they died who cares, much like American labour with Chinese on the railroads, and German Nazis with Jews in WWII.

**As an actor, what's the attraction in playing a biblical character?**

I mean, it's nothing in particular because I think you have to move beyond the expectations that inevitably people are going to have. It's in the same way that you get a Shakespearian play, you get the first two rows of the audience and they are sitting there saying the lines, so they know any time anybody messes up. And it's the same thing but more so from the Bible. It requires a belief and a code of ethics on how to live your life, and so they are looking for what you have included and what you have not included. Inevitably, there will be very important parts of the Bible that Ridley has chosen not to include which would be important to some audience members. But Ridley always said to me from the get go, I don't want to make this an overtly biblical story, I want to look at that story and then translate it into a film, about this rivalry between the two brothers, that's what I am interested in making.

**It's been a really long time since we saw you play a bad guy, are you ever thinking about that when you read a script?**

I don't really think about it. I kind of just look at each script but I don't think, 'Oh, I did a few bad guys, it's time to do a few good guys.' But I have got nothing against it because bad guys are very fun to play.

**If Steven Spielberg hadn't hired you for Empire of the Sun when you were a kid, where would you be today?**

Interesting. I dream where I would be and sometimes I think I would be Marc Marquez winning MotoGP. (laughter) Because I just go, if there's somebody I want to be, I want to be him. I love motorcycles. As I've said I just don't ride them as much anymore because my

enthusiasm outdid my skill, but in all honesty I don't know where I'd be. I did very badly in school, I had no potential for college, I had been done for **shoplifting**, and that was even with the hope of a film career. So without having that, I don't know what the hell I would have gotten up to other than doing a nine to five job. It would have been probably in sales. (laughs) It's all I can imagine.

**What defines a powerful man these days?**

Well, let me talk about myself in terms of having expectations about ambition. As a man you are meant to be ambitious, and just looking at my career I am meant to be pursuing that all the time. Well, I have done that a lot and I can go, well I have got a daughter, I have got a new born son, and for me right now, being a powerful man is being able to say I am doing nothing but spending time with my family. And that's it because it's being able to choose what you choose to do, not what you feel other people expect you to do. So regardless of what their response is to that, 'Why aren't you working? Why aren't you trying more?' Well, because that's not important to me right now; this is what's important to me right now and to me, that's a powerful man because he's able to pursue his own dreams regardless of others opinions of those dreams.

**What was your first bike, a scooter?**

No, I just went straight into dirt biking, 250 Suzuki. I don't have that anymore, and then I had a CBR 600, I have still got a four stroke 400 and I was on a BMW 1000 when the accident happened.

**You're an example of someone who has gone to extremes of losing and gaining weight. Do you feel you have to give everything for your art?**

First off, I don't even know if it's art. Secondly, not anything, but I do believe in the idea of pushing it as far as you can go. I mean, why not? The only thing that I'm in control of is that, because I can't control the movie whether it's going to be any good or not.

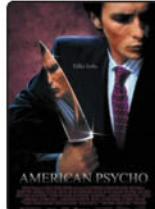


# The best of Christian Bale

**Empire of the Sun**  
1987



**American Psycho**  
2000



**Batman Begins**  
2005



**The Prestige**  
2006





I can't control which takes the editor and director pick. I've got no say so over anything in terms of that stuff. All I can do is go, 'Hey, here I am,' and the small amount of control I have is over the character I'm playing. I just like really pushing it. To me that's worthwhile and fun.

**Most child actors don't do as well as you have - both on or off-screen.**  
Or have any happy time in it at all.

**How did you end up on the right side of fame?**

I recognized early that I didn't like it. I didn't want to be known at all, I didn't want to be doing press and stuff like that and seeing the effects that it had upon family. And yeah, I did have responsibilities that I wouldn't wish upon my daughter, my nieces, anybody at all. That just comes with the territory when you are suddenly earning money, and what do you do when you are loyal? You've got to help people out, and then it gets to a point where you've got to keep doing that and it becomes the norm. At 13, that's it and you are working full time to provide for others and obviously that's troubling. I would look at anyone else in that situation and say that's very troubling. You shouldn't be there. But for me it was always recognizing that I loved doing the actual work of it. And as long as I stuck with that, then it was going to come good.

**Will we ever see you in a light romantic comedy or something in that genre?**

Ehhh. (laughs) It's pretty much the only kind of movie I've never enjoyed watching. I just don't enjoy those, I can't think of a single time I've liked.

**Why is that?**

It always seems like an oxymoron to me, romantic comedy. I don't find it funny most of the time. Maybe I don't go see enough. I don't go to see that many movies. I liked that one years ago, *Punch Drunk Love*. That was a kind of a weird, strange different kind of one. Hey, I never say never, just it's probably the least appealing of any kind of movie to me.

**3:10 to Yuma**  
2007



**The Dark Knight**  
2008



**The Dark Knight Rises**  
2012



**American Hustle**  
2013



**Exodus : Gods and Kings**  
2014



# #FHMBUCKETLIST 4

# WILL DRIVE FOR FOOD

**And try and beat the clock in hopes of  
having a tasty dinner in Amritsar**

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Never forget the first rule of road trips - start early



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about. Doesn't matter if it's pan cake or paani poori, as long as it tastes good we'll eat it. In fact we're ready to go to great lengths for good food. So when Nissan

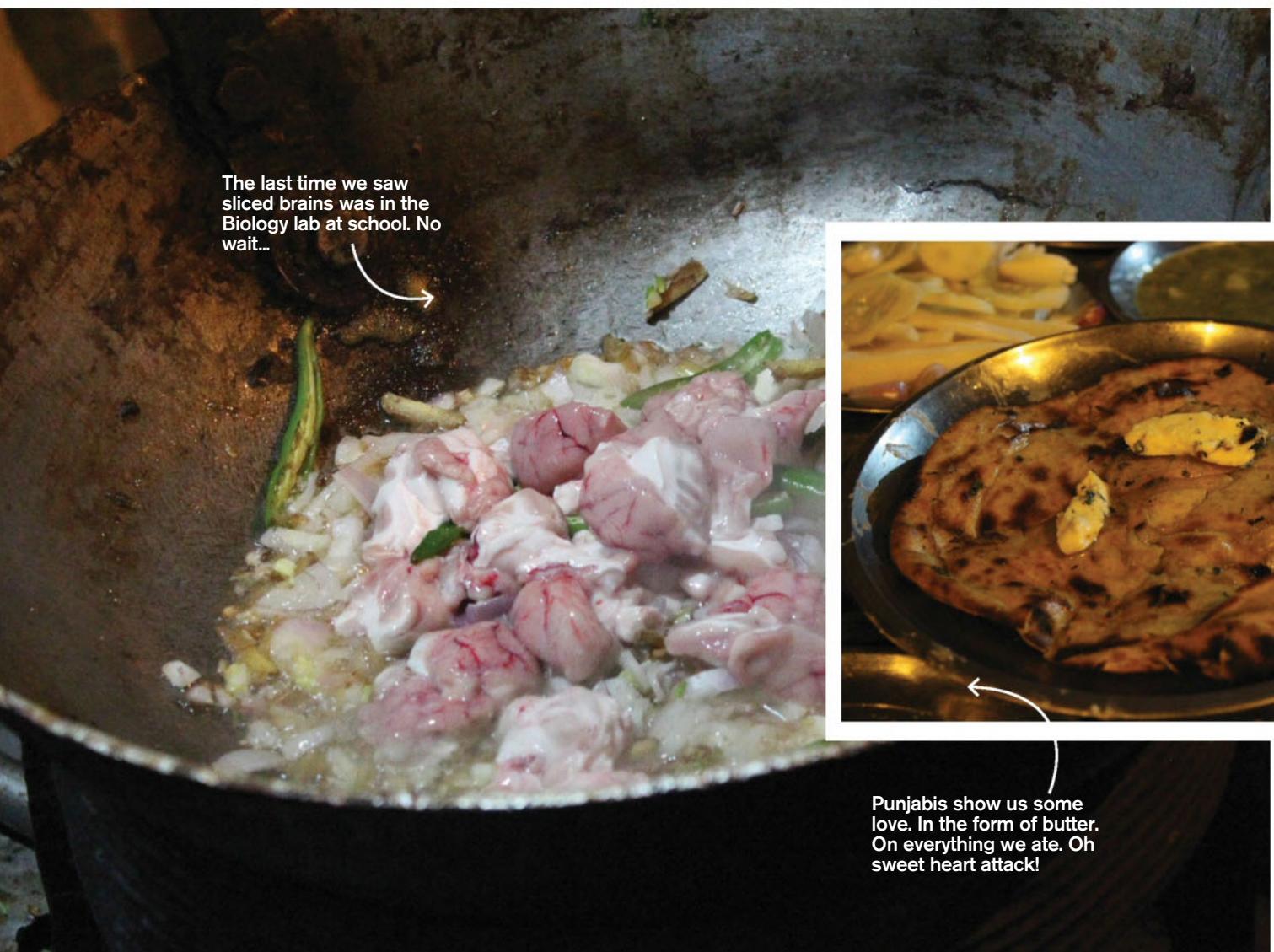
George Bernard Shaw once said that there is no love sincerer than the love of food. We at FHM know what the great man was talking about.

India invited us to join them on a drive down to Amritsar from Dharamshala for a 'Food Trail', we were more than willing. The occasion was the first anniversary celebration drive of the Terrano, named Son of the Soil.

While leaving early morning would have been the best thing to do, it isn't FHM if there isn't a spanner or two in the works. These included leaving only late in the afternoon, negotiating traffic jams on narrow hill roads, and rickety bridges that are just wide enough for a car. Then

there was one of the best stretches of tarmac we've ever seen, the smooth NH 15. Unfortunately it's being used by imbeciles. They think they're in America... driving in the wrong direction... in the fast lane, after dark.

lare... after dark.  
By the time we managed to reach Amritsar, we were loosing light and food hunting timē. And our motto for the night was 'if it has meat, we will eat'. Unfortunately we were too hungry to come up with something better.



# Bheja Fry

TIME: 21:37, MAME DA DHABA

## GETTING THERE

Alpha One mall is the closest landmark. Stay under the flyover. The dhaba is located 800 metres before the mall.

## ABOUT

The place is run by an animated character called Kuldeep Singh aka Mama. He tells us it's not your typical Bheja Fry. He calls it 'White Brain'. This is because he doesn't add any turmeric or "any other colouring agent". Nor is there any curry. Just chopped brain, onion

and spices. Kuldeep also tells us that fans of his creation include the local MLAs and the Chief Minister.

## TASTE TEST

The bheja simply melted in our mouths. No overpowering spices, just soft, succulent brain tissues. Yum!

## PAIR WITH

Paired with a naan and a dollop of butter on it, the dish was extremely filling.





Sick and ailing are said to have been cured of their illness after having Paya. We felt invigorated too.

## Paya

TIME: 22:02, PAL DHABA

### GETTING THERE

Located close to the Hathi Gate near Golden Temple. Reach there and follow your nose.

### ABOUT

Apparently the place is 'All India Famous'. It says so on the board. Jasbir Singh, the proprietor of the Dhaba mans the kitchen

himself. He explains that the hooves he'll be making for us have already been partly cooked beforehand. He uses the 'soup' from the preparation, along with red chilli powder, salt, lentil leaves and garam masala. He then chops the hooves and drops it in the boiling broth.

### TASTE TEST

It tastes exactly like feet. No kidding. It's something you have to get used to. In the end we did.

### PAIR WITH

Keema paratha. Jasbir cooked one for us and it was so soft it literally fell apart in our hands. Which wasn't as bad as we made it sound.

## Mutton Chaap

TIME: 23:05, ADARSH MEAT SHOP

### GETTING THERE

From GT Road take service road next to Rose Garden. Then first left for C-block market complex.

### ABOUT

After running around in circles for a good thirty minutes, we finally reach the place and were asked to wait in line.

At eleven in the night! That's how busy this joint is. They proudly proclaim that they specialise in mutton chaap and we promptly order a serving. The chaap had already been marinated and seasoned and all that was left to be done was to fry it in shallow oil. Low heat and slow cooking is the key to a tasty chaap.

### TASTE TEST

The meat was tender and juicy and tore away easily from the rib. The sour and spicy flavour was quite unique.

### PAIR WITH

Mutton tikka. The smoky taste and chewy meat made us glad we tried it.



Some of the tenderest meat on a goat is around the ribs, close to its heart.

Tasting the awesomeness of the finely diced mutton tikka was one of the best decisions we ever made.

## PLAN YOUR OWN ROADTRIP

### MUMBAI TO GOA

GOAN PRAWN CURRY

Distance - 603 km

Road - NH4



### DELHI TO JAIPUR

LAAL MAAS

Distance - 262 km

Road - NH8



### BENGALURU TO CHENNAI

CRAB FRY

Distance - 326 km

Road - NH4



# Jalebi

TIME: 23:39, SHARMA SWEET SHOP

## GETTING THERE

From NH 15, turn right on Mall road. Take the second right for Lawrence road.

## ABOUT

Sharma Sweet Shop on Lawrence road makes

the best Jalebis, is what they claim. By the time we reached the place, they were ready to down shutters and were turning away customers. For us they prepared a specially large jalebi that thankfully wasn't dripping with syrup.

## TASTE TEST

Not very sweet, a little salty and crunchy to eat, this was a new take on the good ol jalebi.

## PAIR WITH

Gulab jamun. A hot dish that wonderfully complemented the mega jalebi.



# Punjabi breakfast

TIME: 09:00 next day, PUNJABIYAT

## GETTING THERE

Head back on the NH 15 towards Gurdaspur. Take right on SH25 at Jahaz Chowk. Ask for Gurudwara Ghalughara Sahib.

## ABOUT

Punjabiyat is a resort that offers

quintessential village life experience. They say they will make anything the visitors want, including a punjabi meal. For us though they had prepared a breakfast with no less than eleven dishes on offer. Everything from parathas to pakoras, and lassi.

## TASTE TEST

The alloo paratha with white butter was by far the best. Tea, though, was a bit of a letdown.

## PAIR WITH

Lassi. There's nothing like a big glass of lassi to wrap up a traditional breakfast.



## LIVE IN AN OLD HOUSE

Hidden away from the hustle and bustle of the city is Punjabiyat. A set of four lodges built with traditional materials; read mud. Located in the middle of lush green farms, thankfully there is a complete set of modern amenities, proper bath and toilet included. A google search for itmenaa lodges should fill you in with the rest.



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# IT'S WINTERS ALREADY

~~~~ BUT WE FORGOT TO TELL ~~~~

# RICHA CHADDA

**Yes, the shoot is weather inappropriate. But  
are you really complaining?**

Words by KABEER SHARMA; Photography by ROHAN SHRESTHA; Styling KSHITIJ KANKARIA;  
Hair & make up CLAIRE; Production MADMOTH; Location SEA PRINCESS



Jacket and Shorts: Vero Moda; Bra: La Senza; Socks: Marks & Spencer; Necklace: Minerali

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Crop Top: Koovs;  
Leather Bottom: Soak

# L

ast time we spoke to Richa Chadda, she promised us her next FHM shoot will be in all black leather and may or may not involve whips. That was a year and a half ago. Ask her what happened and with one deft forehead she places the ball smack bang in the middle of our court. "Even I want to know what happened, I came here expecting whips and leather – what happened?"

"I was in Mexico partying so I had no clue what clothes you guys were getting for the shoot."

So does it mean you have missed out on the first ever FHM BDSM cover because of the laziness of this team? Not by a long shot. Miss Chadda apart from yelling "Chadda in Chaddi" every time she walks out of the bedroom for a shot is still a little bit of a gas bag – 'all talk' as she told us in June 2013. "Its gotten better though – I was very apprehensive and got scared off by the clothes and the references and the nudity, but I think I've grown more comfortable in my own skin now."

Ask her to define more comfortable and she laughs, "I'm still not okay with nudity, maybe some day," she winks.

The great thing about Miss Chadda apart from the fact that she is as Punjabi as her last name (barring her general aversion to non vegetarian food) is that she is as unassuming as they come. She'll give you a warm hug when she meets you as if she's meeting an old friend who she hasn't seen for a while. There's no fuss, no tantrums, no demands for a particular sort of salad with a peculiar dressing from a hotel 3 hours away.

But even then, the last year and a half has been a quiet one for her – she's had two movies out since

Gangs of Wasseypur – Ramleela and Tamanchey – a movie from three years ago – a movie which she rather matter of factly terms a 'dud'. Behind the scenes, however, things couldn't be further from the truth – she's signed on as many as eight movies – all of which she is in the various stages of completing. She's travelled to Mexico for a film fest to promote a Mira Nair movie in which she plays an "Uppity, nose up in the air bitch". She's lived in New York watching plays with Denzel Washington in them, and come back to India to do a play which besides her, also features Kalki Koechlin.

A couple of minutes later, she's put her "life on the line for FHM" shooting on a sea facing balcony which is more a ledge than a balcony and littered with oversized stones that she has to stumble over in order to get there. By then a small curious crowd has gathered underneath on the Juhu Beach wanting to know just what's happening on the balcony. Instead of getting scandalised and rushing inside to get her robe on, she just smiles, takes a break and waves – "Hello", "Say hello to your mummy." She enjoys scandalising people.

After this, she insists on opening the door when room service arrives with the lunch order in her dungarees and strapless bra. "There will be a fight downstairs in the kitchen on who gets to deliver the order here," she laughs.

She enjoys this, a little bit of scandalizing, yet at the same time she isn't a hollow head who'd do all of this for attention or the 'Uppity, nose up in the air' person she is playing in a couple of movies now. So what is she really like? She laughs. "That's the fun when people expect me to be a certain way and then to surprise them. People assume that I don't speak English or that I will

## 2014 ROUND UP



### TELEVISION

Zindagi - love it. People speak clean hindi. Amazing to find people of all kinds.



### QUEEN

Loved it. I have always said it. How a good script could just do it. I wish i'd got it.



### INTERSTELLAR

I think it was a little overrated. Déjà vu is a better movie.



### MUSIC

Happy got popular. It's annoying but it shows how the world needs happiness.



### FOOD

Malaysian Spring Rolls – It has to be done correctly.



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ought to wear  
something, it's  
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politicians.  
”



Bikini: Turquoise & Gold; Shirt: Calvin Klein

show up for an event in a Fabindia creature. They sometimes think I am a banal creature who drinks herself to death every night – guess what – I'm not."

We ask her if her FHM shoots, then, deliver a greater shock to people – thanks in part to a woman not considered 'Urban Sexy' suddenly appearing in a bikini. "If it's a shock, they didn't see me in Delhi playing basketball in a short short-skirt or roaming around Bombay wearing a deep neck top while looking for work. If I want to wear a kurta I will wear it. If people think I ought to wear something it's their problem – I don't get why people get offended – it's not like they're politicians!"

Is there any aspect of angst hidden there? Does it annoy her that at an event even if people are greeting her, they talk to her in Hindi telling her they enjoyed her work while they talk to others in English? "And they talk to me especially slowly, as if I have comprehension issues, it's hilarious." We're sure, in a world as fickle as Indian cinema, it would get to her but it doesn't, even if it does she isn't telling.

We ask her how 2014 has been for her – did she love it to bits or does she want to throw it down the pot and flush twice? A bit of both actually. She spent the first part of 2014 reading trash scripts. How Trashy? "Someone after Fukrey actually called me to say 'Madam there is a script with a lot of abuses, you will love it. Can you believe it, that was the pitch for a movie?' The rest of the year though she got some scripts that worked for her.

Ask her if she only wants to do hard-hitting, gutsy cinema that makes you think and she dismisses it. She wants to do artsy cinema as much as she wants to emerge out of the sea in a bikini in slow motion. "I might do the second sooner than you think...watch this space."

And what about nudity in movies? The bit she says she will be okay with if the right thing comes along? "Sure why not, it might happen soon – not too long ago we were showing moving flowers for a kiss and look at it now. Remember they had to change the words for Sexy, Sexy, Sexy to Baby, Baby, Baby and now I

# IT'S WINTERS ALREADY

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**RICHA CHADDA**



## ADVENTURE LIST

### SPORTS

I was just annoyed that people were calling Sania Mirza a Pakistani.

### RUNNING

I like running but that doesn't qualify. I ran in Sweden, Lucknow, Allahabad, everywhere.

### TRAVEL

New York – it makes you feel the vibe. It's so funny that it's less safe than even Delhi.

### WORK TRIPS

Mexico film fests are not work. So it doesn't count as work.

“I want to show this issue to my father now that such pictures of me are out, I can't get married for the next two years.”

am getting scripts with the name Sexy in them – so things have changed. People have matured enough to take it. It's not like when you have a bath, you won't look at a naked body – it's just a body at the end of the day.”

Still skeptical we press further. “Have you seen Reader?” “Of course you have,” she laughs answering her own question. “Has anyone said anything about the number of times Kate Winslet dropped her top? It's only a matter of portrayal.”

Some time later the conversation has shifted to food, thanks in part to the chicken Khao Suay that has arrived for lunch, she doesn't eat non-veg. Not even fish. She has ethical issues, and even tried turning vegan for a bit. So much so that she has even done a campaign for PETA against eating fish.

Fish? But isn't the larger debate against land animals, citing the methane in their farts adding to global warming? She laughs again, she doesn't care, she believes all animals should be equal and man has no business being at the top of the pyramid.

“When is this issue out? I want to show it to my father and tell him that now that such pictures of me are out, I can't get married for the next two years. So when is the next one? She says laughing. We tell her it'll be as soon as she gets okay with nudity. She laughs and reminds us, “don't forget the whip next time.”

#### RICHA'S UPCOMING MOVIES

##### AUR DEVDAS

Set in the backdrop of UP politics, Richa plays modern day Paro. One with her own sexy vendetta.

##### MAIN AUR CHAND

Richa plays a girl, who ends up defending a murderer played by Randeep Hooda.

##### JIAH AUR JIAH

Richa and Kalki Koechlin go on an all-girl road-trip to Sweden.

Bikini: Turquoise & Gold; Dungarees: Zara



Bikini: La Senza; Sheer Top: Koovs; Ear Cuff: Swarovski



SHAHID KAPOOR  
Movie Actor



YUVRAJ SINGH  
Cricket Player



RAHUL SHARMA  
Entrepreneur



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# upgrade

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FOR A PHONE  
BIGGER  
THAN YOUR FACE?  
HERE'S SOME HELP

\* Disclaimer: The phones on the following pages will blow your mind.

upgrade

Nothing says you  
don't belong in the  
army as much as  
two pencils up your  
nose



## Apple iPhone 6 Plus

USP: The Apple logo. They can put it on mueselli and sell a million packs. Same with iOS. Put it in Lumias and see those fly out of the showrooms. The flat and intuitive OS design still trumps Android. Camera capped at 8 MP, but image quality is print worthy. Did we mention the stunning 1080p screen?

Fatal flaw: It's quite slim, which... ahem... makes it easier to... you know... bend a bit. Yes we were tempted. Camera juts out of the otherwise flat back; is an OCD nightmare.  
Wallet damage: ₹62,500 (16GB) to 80,500 (128 GB)  
Who for: YouTube addicts, fan boys, It crowd

### Dimension

158.1 x 77.8 x 7.1  
mm

### Weight

172 gms

### Screen

5.5 inches

### OS

iOS 8

### Processor

64-bit A8 chip with  
M8 co-processor

### RAM

1 GB

### Storage

16 GB

### Camera

8 MP/1.2 MP

|                                          |
|------------------------------------------|
| <b>Dimension</b>                         |
| 128 x 90.3 x 9.3 mm                      |
| <b>Weight</b>                            |
| 196 gms                                  |
| <b>Screen</b>                            |
| 4.5 inches                               |
| <b>OS</b>                                |
| BB 10                                    |
| <b>Processor</b>                         |
| Quadcore<br>Snapdragon 801<br>at 2.2 GHz |
| <b>RAM</b>                               |
| 3 GB                                     |
| <b>Storage</b>                           |
| 32 GB                                    |
| <b>Camera</b>                            |
| 13 MP/2 MP                               |



The IT crowd is perfect to fill the Game of Thrones shaped hole in your heart

## BLACKBERRY Passport

**USP:** Quality is top notch; we love the metal surround and the gorilla glass screen. The physical keyboard might be on the endangered species list but there's nothing better for writing those last minute reports on. If you can stop yourself from watching the cropped youtube videos on that gorgeous screen that is.

**Fatal flaw:** Don't ever put this phone in your jeans pocket and sit. It nearly impaled us. In the groin. Plus the touch needs special training to get used to.  
**Wallet damage:** ₹49,990.  
**Who for:** BlackBerry Boys of course. And Geniuses.



## HTC Desire 816G

**USP:** Front facing speakers are a boon for those late night movie marathons. And the light weight means you won't have a fractured nose when you drop it on your face. Then there is HTC's Sense UI that doesn't overpower the base Android experience.

**Fatal flaw:** Plastic isn't always fantastic and

we're no fans of the scratch prone back. And what's with the power and volume buttons on the left hand side? Screen resolution just about makes the cut, thanks to the price. Wallet damage: At ₹18,990 it's more like wallet improvement if you ask us. Who for: Anyone with 19k to spend on a phone.

**Dimension**

156.6 x 78.7 x 7.9 mm

**Weight**

158 gms

**Screen**

5.5 inches

**OS**

Android 4.4 kitkat

**Processor**

Quadcore 1.3 GHz

**RAM**

1 GB

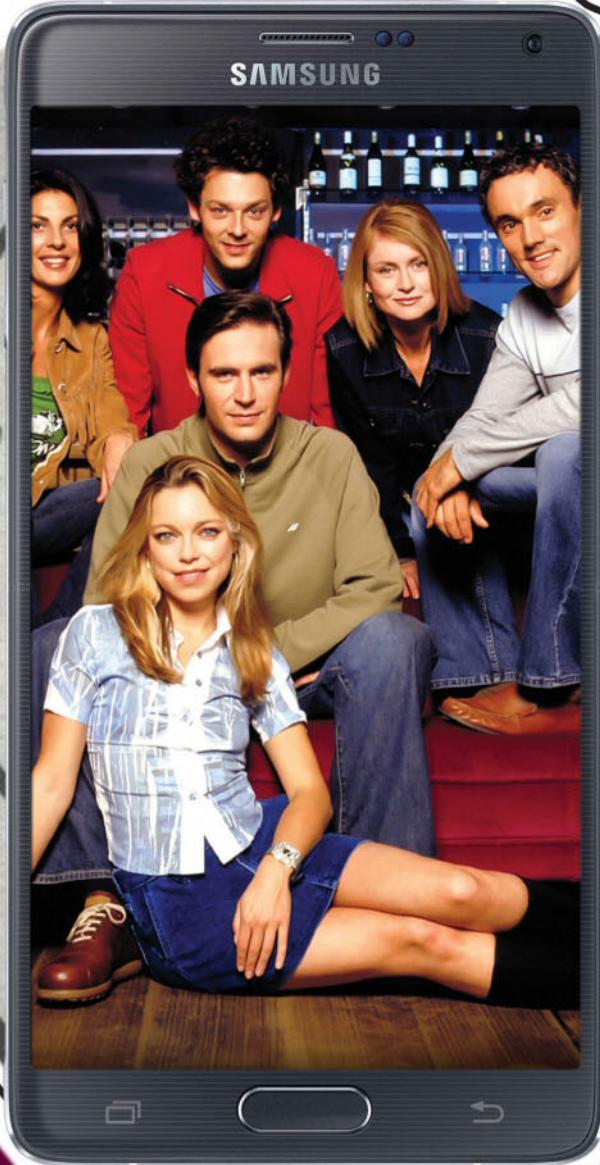
**Storage**

8 GB

**Camera**

13 MP/5 MP

Coupling. Better  
than Friends.  
Period.



## SAMSUNG Galaxy Note4

**USP:** The 'Retina' scalding 515ppi screen is the sharpest here. Which makes viewing fhmindia.com even much more interesting. It's also your own personal physician with its heart rate monitor. Oh and the battery is a mammoth 3220mAH which should last you through the day. S Pen makes doodling fun. Metal surround

is nice and plastic back lets you use a memory card.

**Fatal flaw:** TouchWiz is less cartoony than before, but once you have tasted the deliciousness that's stock kitkat, there's no going back.

**Wallet Damage:** A whopping ₹58,300  
**Who for:** Doodlers, Apple haters

**Dimension**  
153.5 x 78.6 x 8.5  
mm

**Weight**  
176 gms

**Screen**  
5.7 inches

**OS**  
Android 4.4 kitkat

**Processor**  
Qualcomm  
Snapdragon 805  
at 2.7 GHz

**RAM**  
3 GB

**Storage**  
32 GB

**Camera**  
16 MP/3.7 MP

Words: Abhishek Saksena

WIN AT LIFE

# THE SECRETS OF THE SUPER FIT

Prepare your muscles and your mind with lessons from the ultra hench, mega ripped and most spiritually zen



Interviews: **Jordan Waller**  
Photography: **Agata Pec**

## • Give yourself a running start

"I do a 10km jog every morning to maintain my fitness."

"I listen to TED Talks for motivation while I'm running. They're great for helping you think outside the box, which is essential in the ring."



### • Play mind games

"Boxing is 90% psychological and only 10% physical. There are lots of ways to get into someone's head."

"Some people are boastful. I keep to myself, know my game plan and let my boxing do the talking so they won't know what's hit them."

### • Take a beating

"I got this black eye when I was sparring. Sometimes, being a human punch bag is the best way to learn your own style and weaknesses."

### • Start with the basics

"The first thing you need to learn is how to punch. Then it's fitness. I do spinning classes and yoga to help with agility and endurance – it's not all punch bags."

### • Get a knockout punch

"The most powerful strikes start from your ankle. You keep your feet flat and the weight comes up through your hip and your shoulder."

SOHAIL AHMAD, 25, BOXER, CAN...

# PUNCH THROUGH A DOOR

*Moving to Britain from Afghanistan aged 11, Sohail became a British taekwondo champion before stepping into the ring as a pro boxer*



• **Embrace the pain**

"Everyone's going through the mill and it pulls you together as a team."

"I've broken my collarbone and leg and last year, I had surgery on my shoulder. Bruises and broken fingers are a constant hazard."

• **Hit the road**

"Having a high level of base fitness will get you through anything. Running is the best way to get you there."

• **Get a mantra**

"My favourite quote is: 'If you're not practising, someone else is. When you meet them, they'll beat you.' Nobody starts as being great at everything."

• **Go hard, not heavy**

"I like to reduce the weights I'm lifting and go through sets quickly to increase the power."

• **Ditch the squats**

"The best exercise I do is called The Prowler, pushing a sled for 20 metres with 120kg weights on it. It's a real grind that works out all of your lower body and back."

**EAT LIKE  
A PRO  
RUGBY  
PLAYER**

**Breakfast**

Kick-start your morning with oats to get maximum slow-release energy into your body. Throw in a scoop of casein powder, berries and nuts for extra protein to carry you through the day.

**Lunch**

If you're training, then this is the time to get your good carbs – but nothing too starchy. Go for brown rice and lots of vegetables.

**Dinner**

Most of your high-protein diets include chicken and steak but it gets boring quickly. Try eating fish instead; there are so many variations with great flavours and you don't need to cover your food in rich sauces. They're also chock-full of essential fats, protein and omega-3 oils.

**ALEX GOODE, 26, RUGBY PLAYER, CAN...**

# TACKLE HARDER THAN A CAR CRASH

As Saracen's full-back and one of the team's pivotal members, Alex is pitched to help lead England to victory in next year's home-soil Rugby World Cup

# HARNESS YOUR ZEN

As one of Bollywood's leading heroines, Shilpa released her Yoga video, 'Quick Fix Yoga'. Here's our suggestions to finding inner peace.



## • Distract yourself from distractions

If you battle with your mind, your mind will always win.

Yoga and meditation teaches you how to detach yourself and prioritise your energy and thoughts.

## • Unleash your 'third eye'

Your intuition is your command centre – trusting your gut rather than dwelling on decisions increases both confidence and productivity.

## • Flexibility is just a bonus

Agility and strength are just side benefits of yoga. The important aspects are learning to focus and reaching your goals.

## 5 STEPS TO FINDING INNER PEACE AT YOUR DESK

### 1. Learn to breathe

Stress makes you take shorter breaths and reduces the oxygen that's reaching your major organs. This stops you from working to full capacity. Take a few deep breaths and count to 10.

### 2. Sit proud

Bad posture and feeling uncomfortable severely limits

your mindset and productivity. Uncross your legs, place your feet flat and hip-width apart. Also, sit up tall and straight. You'll project positivity.

### 3. Stay Active

Doing something physical gets endorphins flowing and increases circulation, giving you a feel-good factor. Consider a standing desk or take the stairs

instead of the elevator. Throw in some stretches towards the end of the day when you're most demotivated.

### 4. Love your eyes

Staring at a computer all day strains your eye muscles. Eye rolls can make you feel more alert and reduce headaches. Open your eyes as wide as possible and trace the numbers

of an imaginary clock. Close your eyes and rest, then repeat.

### 5. Put your problems to bed

Worry causes restless nights so don't dwell on the negatives before bed. Reframe problems and find a positive side. The same applies for when you wake up; moaning before you even get to work will make you miserable all day.



• **Get in the kitchen**

"I eat 5,000 calories a day. Around 70% of muscle gain is in the kitchen."

"It's not all boring healthy food. Sometimes I like to eat ice cream before bed; people could say that's a sin, but I still maintain around 8% body fat all year round."

• **Get a gym in a bag**

"If you buy one thing, get a TRX. It's a suspension cable that you attach to an anchor point like a tree. It's perfect for intense exercises using only your body weight. It's also mobile, so you can work out wherever you want."

ROGER SNIPES, 35, BODYBUILDER, HAS...

# INSANE STRENGTH

Pumping iron as a professional bodybuilding champion and personal trainer, with 20 years' experience in sport to boot, Roger could give Hercules cold sweats

## TRAIN FOR YOUR BODY TYPE

Know your strengths and weaknesses before you go crazy on the weight bench...



ECTOMORPH: USAIN BOLT

• *The natural scrawner that struggles to put on weight*

**Top tip:** Increase your calorie intake; consume more than you're burning.

**Supplement:** A high-calorie protein shake will make sure you're hitting your targets to sustain growth.



ENDOMORPH:  
WAYNE ROONEY

• *Stocky with a slower metabolism, it's easier to slip into porky territory*

**Top tip:** Regulate meals so you're not eating just before you sleep.

**Supplement:** Take thermogenic fat burners before you train.



MESOMORPH: ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER

• *The body of an actual terminator: lean, athletic and solid as a rock*

**Top tip:** Keep a balanced diet of 40% protein, 40% carbs and 20% fat.

**Supplement:** Go straight for hydrolyzed protein which gets to the muscle quickly.



### • Learn to peacock

"The secret to body building and looking good isn't just tensing and posing. It's about hiding weakness and showing off your strengths."

### • Anyone can be a mountain

"I haven't always been big. I started off doing sprint training; I was really slim."

"I only got into bodybuilding properly five years ago. The average person can get reasonably ripped in just eight to 12 weeks, training three or four times a week."

### • Don't skip leg day

"Don't just focus on the obvious muscle groups – it's important to even it out. If you've managed to get a big chest and shoulders, great. Now you need to look at what's missing..."

LEARN TO  
COOK  
MASSIVE  
FOOD WITH



ADITYA BAL



# PORTUGUESE GRILLED CHICKEN

## INGREDIENTS

SERVES 1 to 2

- 2 whole chicken legs and thighs without skin
- FOR MARINADE
- 4 cloves garlic

- 3 hot green chillies
- Small bunch of fresh coriander
- 1/4 tsp salt
- 6 to 8 black peppercorns

- 2 limes
- 1 tbsp extra virgin olive oil
- TO SERVE
- 2 slices of watermelon

- 1 English cucumber
- A knob of butter to baste



## STEP 01

To make the marinade: put all the marinade ingredients into a mortar and bash to a semi fine paste. Taste for a balance of flavour. This marinade should be really limey and hot with the garlic giving it a great pungency.



## STEP 03

To grill: get your charcoal, gas grill or broiler really hot. Bring the chicken to room temperature and grill the chicken legs, basting occasionally with butter and turning them over 3 to 4 times. Grill the chicken until nicely charred and cooked to perfection. (till the juices run clear)

## STEP 02

Make a few gashes all over the chicken legs, then pour over the marinade and rub into the chicken really thoroughly using your hands. Cover and place in the fridge for 4 to 6 hours.

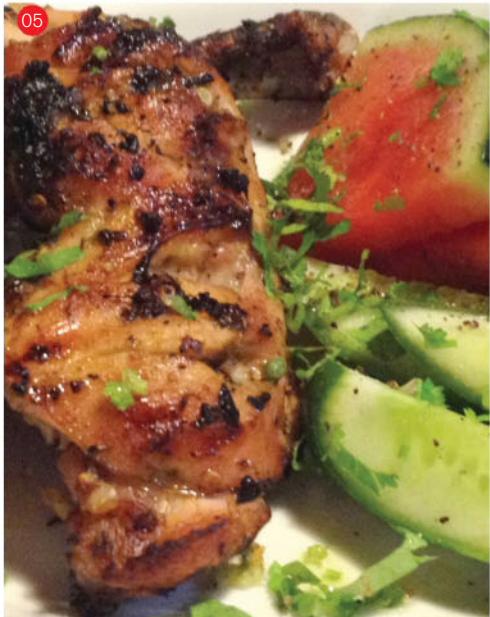


## STEP 04

Once cooked, remove the chicken to a platter and leave to rest for a few minutes.



## 05



## STEP 05

Slice the watermelon and cucumber into wedges and strips, place on a platter with the chicken and garnish with more lime and some fresh coriander. You're done.

## Pair it With

You could serve the dish with lemon wedges and chips and a big glass of craft beer to wash it down. We hear Doolally in Pune is doing some great brews these days.

**Aditya Bal is an anchor with NDTV Goodtimes**

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You don't need us to tell you this. But even then for those still not enlightened we find, shoot some of India's hottest girls to shoot in their delicates. Its a tough job, but ah well.



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What's the second best thing to sex-on-toast women? A great glass of sweaty beer, a side of a *tikka*, three bottles of wine...you get the drift.



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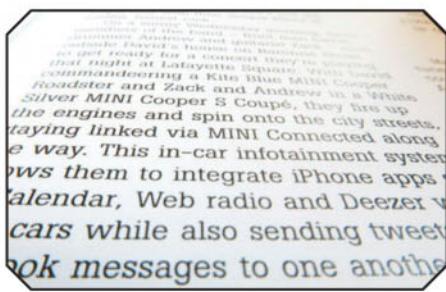
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# PRO SHOOTER

**A big sensor in a compact body is the holy grail for photographers. Does the Canon G7X live up to the expectations?**



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Lots of detail even at ISO 6400 in this night shot.

**MADE TO SHOOT** Owning a DSLR doesn't make you a photographer. Neither does lugging two kilos, plus the weight around the neck isn't as healthy exercise as you think. In fact 'real' photographers will kill for light weight gear if there's no compromise in image quality. This is where 'enthusiast compacts' with bigger sensors in small bodies have been gaining ground and Canon is playing to this crowd with its G7X.

The G7X is a part of Canon's 'G' line of compacts that emphasise manual control over everything else. Hence, there are mode and exposure compensation dials on the top plate. The thumb-rest though not

too big offers decent grip. The highlight is the ring dial around the lens which controls various functions in different exposure modes and makes for a more direct shooting experience, and the 3-inch touch screen allows gestures such as swipe, pinch to zoom and tap to shoot.

#### GUTS FOR GLORY

Inside the plastic body (for Wi-Fi) is a 20.2 megapixel 1-inch sensor; four times bigger than the common compact. There's latest Digic 6 processor and ISO range up to 12,800, making it useful in low light. The lens has a wide field of view at 24mm and extends to 100mm at the far end with maximum aperture openings of f1.8-2.8.

More importantly, G7X shoots RAW.

#### HANDS ON

The G7X is quite compact and though sits well in a shirt pocket, we suggest a carrying case. It's weight makes it that much steadier in the hand. Lots of manual control is available and exposure mode, focus mode, ISO, aperture, shutter speed can all be set from the body itself. Focus speed though is a little slow and continuous RAW shooting is quite sluggish. You can also shoot videos in manual, but the stepped ring dial isn't great at zooming. Spend ₹44,995 if image quality and manual control is what you desire. Video shooters should look at other options.



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# We have lift off

Tired of your OS' boring design? Try these Android only launchers to rock your home screen



01

## YANDEX SHELL

Offers a lot of customisation options, but not nearly as much as Nova. The central theme is the carousel, which lets you add up to 19 home screens! Put app shortcuts on all of them and you don't ever have to enter the app drawer again. There are built-in widgets like news, weather, notes and calendar so you don't have to download separate apps. Another useful feature is the control panel on one of the home screens for easier access to frequently accessed settings.

**SIZE:** 24 MB (Varies with device)

**CURRENT VERSION:** 2.31

**OS:** Varies with device



02

## NOVA LAUNCHER

When it comes to customisation, Nova launcher is among the best. You can control everything from the number of home screens to the grid of icons you want. Pick and choose the animations and even the shape and colour of the dock at the bottom of the home screen. And if you happen to own one of those big ass phablets, you can even set the launcher to have a forced landscape layout to use it like a tablet. It goes a step ahead and lets you associate gestures to actions like opening an app, or viewing recent apps. Nova launcher also lets you import settings from another launcher if you have more than one installed on your phone.

**SIZE:** 4.3 MB

**CURRENT VERSION:** 3.2

**OS:** Android 4.0 and up

03

## GOOGLE NOW

Don't think of this as a launcher, rather a personal assistant. It's available on devices with Android 4.1 and upwards, so most recent phones will be compatible. It's also the closest you'll get to a stock Android experience if you don't own a Nexus or a Motorola device. From the home screen swipe right and you enter the Google Now where you can search the web with "Ok Google" which now recognises the Indian accent. It's also smart enough to read your mail and remind you of meetings and bill payments, take you back to where you parked your car and navigate home. And depending on your web searches, it will show you news stories to read.

**SIZE:** 12 MB

**CURRENT VERSION:**

1.1.0.1167994

**OS:** Android 4.1 and up





04

## GO LAUNCHER

Remember how you could change the phone's 'theme' before smartphones existed? The Go Launcher lets you live the good old days with no less than 10k themes available for download. These can completely change the look and feel of the device with everything from Pink Rocket to Flame Skull. Another useful feature is the Go Panel, where recently used apps can be accessed. It too boasts of gestures control, has various transitions when you swipe across the screen and lets you change the size of the icons to your taste. It also has an inbuilt cache cleaner to kill background apps that slow the phone down.

**SIZE:** 11.7 MB

**CURRENT VERSION:** 5.09

(Varies with device)

**OS:** Varies with device

## YAHOO AVIATE

If clean and simple is your style the Aviate may be the one for you. Like Google Now, it too is designed to make your life easier. Once installed, it will automatically categorise your apps into various collections like photography, news, utilities, which reminds us of the Nokia X interface. Aviate is actually helpful when you enter 'Spaces' where you can choose between Moving, Listening and Work settings. If, for example, you choose listening, it will show you apps that you need for your music needs, and in work you can choose to setup an event or send mails. And just like Google Now it neatly integrates Google's native apps like Calendar and Google Maps.

**SIZE:** 11.7 MB

**CURRENT VERSION:** 2.1.4.2

**OS:** Android 2.3.3 and up

05

## BUZZ LAUNCHER

A highly rated launcher on the play store, the Buzz launcher offers a clean, uncluttered design. In fact the stock layout is similar to the one Sony uses on its Xperia devices with a small grouping of apps in the middle of the screen. The biggest draw of Buzz launcher is the community based theme (called homepacks). If you don't like the look of the home screen, you can choose to download another user's homescreen. If you create something unique, you can share it with other Buzz users across the globe. And like others Buzz too has a gesture control.

**SIZE:** 12 MB

**CURRENT VERSION:** 1.6.2.05

**OS:** Android 4.0.3 and up



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# SHOULD I SLEEP WITH MY BOSS?

**The fast-approaching party season is full of sexy temptations, so read on and tread carefully...**

By rights, Christmas parties should be the least sexy things in the world: it's hard to imagine anything less erotic than an event built around a plump office colleague masquerading as Santa, secret Santa presents and novelty pop hits from the '70s. And yet, your average Yuletide do will degenerate into a snogging-and-fingering orgy faster than you can say, "Oh, go on then..."

The most reliably filthy parties of all are, of course, work Christmas parties – hives of drunken kisses and regrettable loo-parking lot blowjobs. A survey of 1,168 office workers in Britain found that a whopping 33% had had sex with a colleague following (or during!) their company Christmas bash. The figure is not too low in India either, but we're still obsessively shy about answering surveys.

Every Christmas bash is essentially the same, however: a tinsel-decked, booze-soaked excuse to have an end of year one-night stand with someone you've had a half-arsed crush on all year. But tread carefully – cop off with the wrong casual acquaintance, and a world of cringing pain awaits...



## THE GOTH GIRL WHO WORKS AT SPAR

**Pros:** Bat-black hair, purple fingernails, a neck tattoo and an air of total disdain for everything around her – if you can crack her icy exterior, a night of handcuffing, wax dripping and utterly deranged sexing awaits.

**Cons:** If things go awry in the morning, prepare to have a *lot* of venomous things said about you on every social media platform, even Instagram. That, and a good old-fashioned hex/curse/plague of some kind.

**Danger rating:** Medium to dicey.

## YOUR LINE MANAGER

**Pros:** What could be saucier than bending your uptight boss over the big printer next to the water cooler as she demands that you service her "Harder, Goddamn it!" in the exact tone she uses to reprimand you for your lateness?

**Cons:** You're *pretty* sure the office CCTV hasn't worked in years, but then again, if your fleeting Cava-powered rut is on tape, that office email is going viral, son.

**Danger rating:** Squirmey.

## YOUR HOUSEMATE

**Pros:** It's almost impossible to live with anyone of the opposite sex and not want to kiss their boobs at some point. At least after a drunken Christmas party, you can both say, "LOL, drunken Christmas party, what are we like?" before arguing over who buys bread next.

**Cons:** The morning after, you may get the claustrophobic sensation that you've time-travelled through a relationship, from first snog to cohabiting, *literally* overnight.

**Danger rating:** Ahh, it's inevitable anyway – why fight it?



## YOUR HOUSEMATE'S EX

**Pros:** You'll finally get to see if Beth looks as hot naked as you always imagined she did when you were forced to listen to her banging away in the next room like a barn door in a hurricane.

**Cons:** Every time your housemate ever does anything nice for you again – from fetching your washing in when it starts raining to bringing you some booze back from his holiday – you're going to feel like a real scummer.

**Danger rating:** A world of wretchedness awaits.

## THE HOT INSTRUCTOR AT YOUR GYM

**Pros:** She's already seen you half-naked, sweating and pulling sex faces, so there's already a sort of sexual element to your acquaintance. Plus, bank on the sex being as energetic and high impact as it gets.

**Cons:** Athletic intercourse isn't all that, er, tidy with a juddering belly full of buffet stodge, Christmas cake and Aldi port.

**Danger rating:** Physically risky.

## YOUR NEXT DOOR NEIGHBOUR

**Pros:** Remember, when you answered the door in just your boxers when she showed up to borrow a cup of sugar, and you were pretty certain she was tempted to drop her postbag and bang you senseless on a big pile of pizza menus? Well – now's your moment!

**Cons:** She *may* start hurling your Amazon parcels in the bin to avoid awkward interactions, so don't order anything too pricey online.

**Danger rating:** Safe as a Jiffy Bag.

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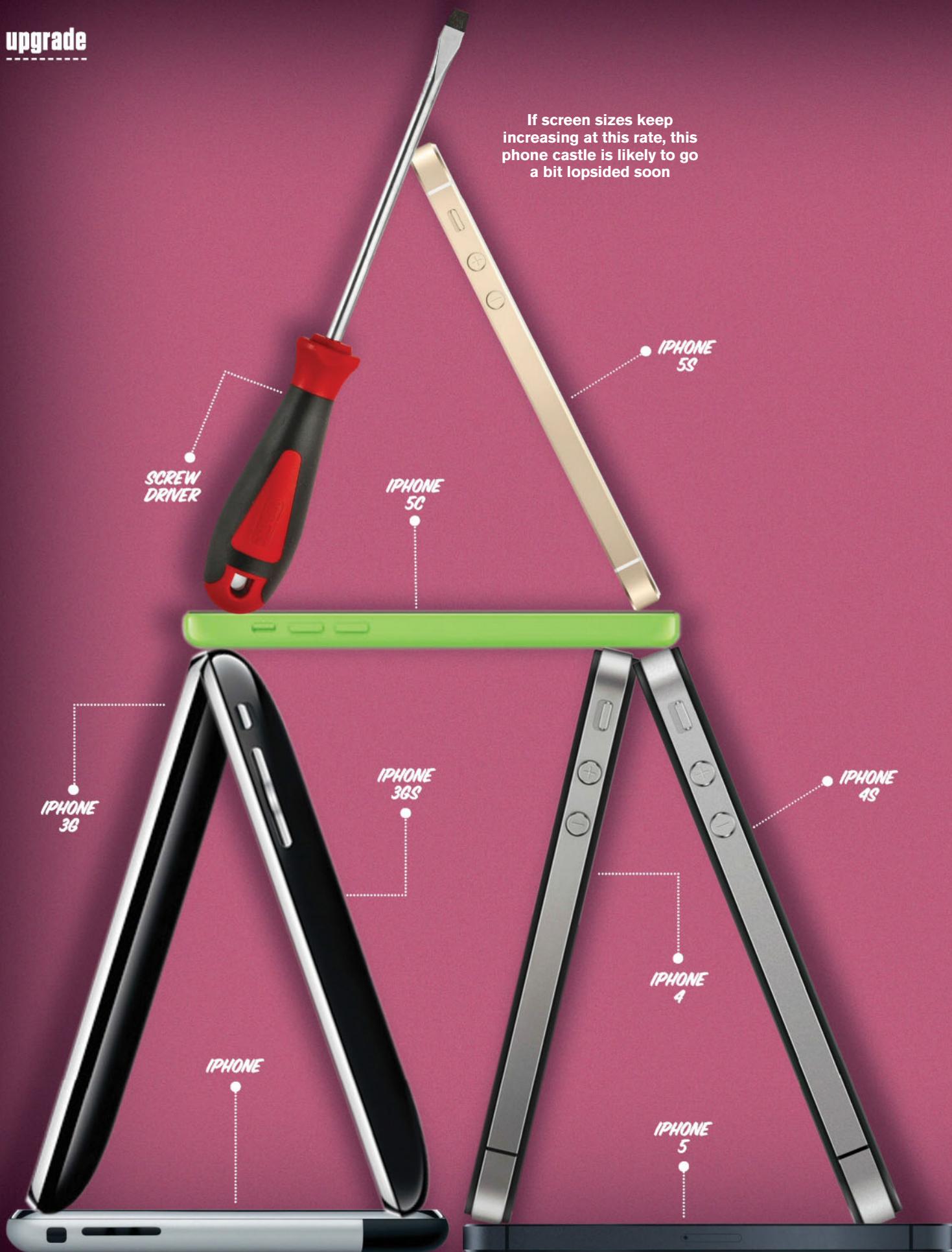
## YOUR EX'S SISTER

**Pros:** All that unspoken sexual tension that occurred whenever you two found yourselves alone is going to explode like a Christmas cracker the size of a postbox.

**Cons:** Unless she's as uncrackable as a CIA spy, your encounter *will* get back to her sis, so keep a packed suitcase, 50,000 bucks and a fake passport by the front door for when the inevitable happens.

**Danger rating:** Potentially fatal.

If screen sizes keep increasing at this rate, this phone castle is likely to go a bit lopsided soon



**Dimension**

138.1 x 67 x 6.9 mm

**Weight**

129 gms

**Screen**

4.7 inches

**OS**

iOS 8

**Processor**

64-bit A8 chip with M8 co-processor

**RAM**

1 GB

**Storage**

16 GB

**Camera**

8 MP/1.2 MP



# Apple iPhone 6

**Now that the dust has settled, we take a closer look at what the iPhone 6 is actually about.**

**FACT:** Every time you take your iPhone out of your pocket, you will either drop it or will be asked to hand it over, so someone can try bending it. And you'll also find yourself spending way too much time explaining people why it can't be done. One way out will be to call people uninformed lemmings still hanging on to the clutches and the coat tails of cheaper devices running an open-source platform. People who can't stop smiling just because they've found a chink in the armour of the iPhone 6. But you'd be wrong. This isn't its only weakness, there are few more.

iPhone 6 heats up, it does hang and in the time we used it, it crashed running basic apps together. So, the question is – should you still buy it? The answer is, without a shadow of a doubt, a big – YES.

The iPhone 6, for the lack of other analogies, is the Lamborghini of phones – it only seats two, has just about no suspension, but drive down the road in one it'll leave people wiping the drool off their mouth. Even the ones who have the Nexus 5, which they claim has had the same features as the iPhone 6 for two years (and they are partly right too). Apple has spent most of last year poaching people not from tech brands but

from luxury brands, clearing its intentions for making devices which might not be the most cutting edge tech, but they definitely are the most aspirational.

That said, the iPhone 6 will feel like a massive leap in size for iPhone users, but those used to HTC and Samsung phones, the size is nothing special. The colours and the resolution have been significantly upgraded, so you no longer have to give longing glances at the android phone of the person next to you buffering the same video. Plus the battery has been upgraded too, which means you'll spend less time looking for a power outlet and begging for a charger everywhere you go. Imagine what you'd be able to accomplish with the time saved. Write a book maybe. A short one. Children's novel.

So, why should you be buying an iPhone 6? For one, you get a touch that's second to none – the camera even though it's still 8 MP, comes with a brand new sensor that focusses very quickly – even if you are moving the phone, which means there will be a significant improvement in the quality of pictures you take with it over the 5S. If you fancy yourself as an amateur photographer, you can toy around with the controls like Exposure Lock etc. A useful

feature called Cinematic Stabilisation means shooting video, while riding shotgun in a BMW M4 around the F1 track won't be shaky, even though you are being thrown around corners.

To compliment iOS 8, Apple has bunged in a faster processor (A8) with one express aim – making the iPhone faster when it comes to multi-tasking. That said, in the one week or so that FHM had its hand on the iPhone 6, it did self-reboot on at least one occasion and on at least a couple of occasions hung juggling 3-4 apps like WhatsApp, email, map and making a phone call. But that can happen to every phone right?

Additionally the new processor also comes with a brand new M8 motion-co processor which can track your steps, altitude etc – again these are features which existed even in the previous generation of the Google Nexus. But even then, the iPhone 6 remains one of the most sought after piece of kit for this year. If you can afford one, you should definitely get it, but make sure you get a cover too – the phone camera lens just out, just a tad bit, plus you can most definitely use the extra grip that the cover will provide.

→ **T**here are loads of reasons to love the HTC M8 but the biggest amongst them is just how insanely hot it is. The M8 is by far the best looking phone that HTC has ever made – the flawless metal body isn't flat like the iPhone but has real curves at just the right places and this is what in reality really floored us about the phone.

If you have it in your hand, people will swoon, they'll ask you what the phone is, tell them it's an HTC and they will reply with a 'humm' which is as close a cross between surprise and pleasure as there ever will be. It's almost as if it is a supermodel born in the family of average lookers. Yes, that really is how good looking it is.

Swooning apart, the M8 is an

improvement over the M7 that it replaces – its bigger, fatter, wider and heavier compared to the previous one – in part because almost 90 per cent of its body is aluminium compared to 70 per cent earlier (it makes phone calls an especially entertaining affair during the winters when you press the cold brushed metal to your ear to make a phone call).

The 5-inch screen boasts of a display, which is sharp, crisp and boasts of phenomenal colours. The screen is protected by Gorilla Glass that has received a special coating that the company promises will protect it from scratches and impacts. That said, HTC in other markets also ships with an HTC Advantage warranty which covers free glass replacement within 6 months. While

this isn't available in India, it can also be translated to mean that the glass is far from invincible and they know it.

It's on the inside where the HTC scores over the Nexus or even the iPhone – there is a slot for a 128 GB memory card – this comes on top of the 100 GB Google Drive storage you get free for 2 years. Add this to the 16 GB that the phone ships with, and you have a lot more space than you are ever going to need. Then there's the trick duo camera that lets you click a picture and focus on the subject later on in the gallery.

If you are in market for one though – check online, there're several deals available on Flipkart and Amazon. The cheapest price we found though was on Ebay where it was up for sale at 35 odd thousand.

# HTC ONE M8

**Hot metal body, a stunning screen and three cameras! We are in love.**

One of the best looking phones you can lay your hands on today



**Dimension**  
146.36 x 70.6 x 9.35 mm

**Weight**  
160 gms

**Screen**  
5 inches

**OS**  
Android 4.4 kitkat

**Processor**  
Quadcore  
Snapdragon 801 at 2.5 GHz

**RAM**  
2 GB

**Storage**  
16 GB Upgradeable

**Camera**  
Dual 4 MP/5 MP

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Among the new Holiday Inn hallmarks are the arrival, welcome, sleep and bath experience.

Enhanced design elements have been adopted at the entrance of the hotel to create a welcome with a strong branded sense of arrival that is universally recognised. Some of the elements include a new refreshingly looking logo, the green

brand colour façade beam lights, signature landscape planters. The relaunch has improved quality and service levels, and drive consistency, creating a new, more contemporary brand image for the hotel.

It also offers today's business and leisure travellers dependability, friendly services and modern, attractive facilities at an excellent value and at a convenient location providing the services a business traveller need, while also offering leisure travellers a comfortable, casual atmosphere where they can relax.

Holiday Inn Mumbai is aesthetically pleasing and reflects grandeur from the very entrance, upon driveway via a landscape entrance and the grand porte cochere. An aesthetically landscape podium welcomes guests where the double

height entrance lobby and coffee shop lend an experience of regalia. A stand alone reception and front office in the lobby is visible from all of the double-height atrium and a grand staircase emerges from a water body connecting the two levels.

The hotel offers one of the best conferencing and banqueting facilities in the city and can accommodate 500 plus guests in its spacious and refreshingly designed Ballrooms.

Saptami - the multi-cuisine all-day dining restaurant is one of the most elegant and stylish coffee shops. There are many more reasons to add it to your must visit list.





The DJ turned actress  
has just pulled out of  
her Sunburn tour



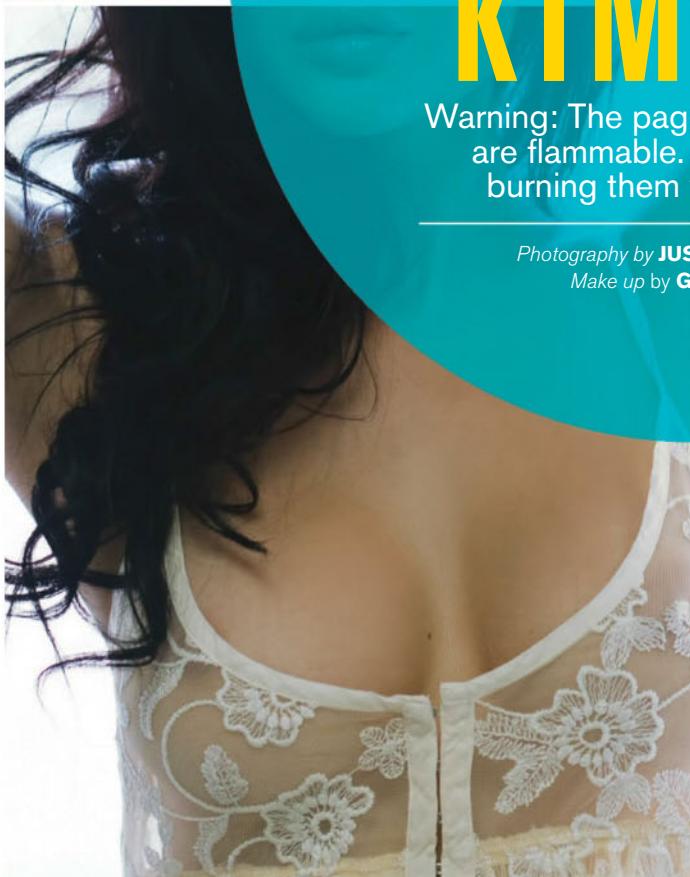
Find more pics of Kim Lee on [fhmindia.com](http://fhmindia.com)



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**KIM LEE**

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Photography by **JUSTINNE ENRIQUEZ**  
Make up by **GABY RAMOS**



**Location:** Orange County

**Age:** 26

**Twitter:** @OfficialKimlee

**Likes:** Music, party

### **Hi Kim, What's the latest that you have been up to?**

I just got back from tour. We did two boat parties back to back. We played at The Mad Decent Boat Party in Miami then flew to Singapore for It's the Ship Boat Party and now I'm home for a few days before I fly to Vietnam to finish shooting our TV show with MTV.

### **What are you coming down to India for?**

We're coming to Goa for a festival, but looks like that might change due to our schedules.

### **Is this your first trip?**

Yes, this will be our first time in India.

### **You're performing in Goa, any plans to just kick back and vegetate on a beach in a bikini?**

I would love to see India. So many of our DJ friends went there and they said it's really beautiful.

### **Would you ever go topless on a beach?**

I would if there's no one there.

### **Merging music with vacation is a cool thing. And with a DJ like you, no one will want the festive season to get over. How was your experience?**

It's been an amazing experience. Getting to see different cultures and playing music in front of hundreds and thousands of people is an amazing feeling.

### **From TV series to music videos, you are seen everywhere. What do you do when not doing any of these things?**

I always work out and spend time with my family when I have time off. I feel like it's important to balance your life. Especially when I have a really hectic schedule.

### **What's been your weirdest audition experience during modelling days?**

Hmm.. Weirdest? I would say when I went for an audition for Transformers 2 movie and I completely forgot my lines. I was actually pretty embarrassed and upset because it was literally two sentences.



**Tell us something about yourself. Where are you from? Where did you go to school?**

I was born and raised in Orange County. I'm French and Vietnamese. I went to UCI in Orange County.

**Do you have a degree?**

Yes I do.

**Are you an easy catch or do men need something special?**

I'm actually not that easy. I'm attracted to hard working men, who are honest, caring, with good morals and a sense of humour.

**What are the kind of men you would like to have brunch with?**

Someone smart and interesting.

**Do you have high standards?****What is a real turn off?**

Yes, I have really high standards. Turn off is when a guy doesn't know what he wants and would date just any girl. Usually you can judge a guy by what type of girls he goes for.

**Do you spend a lot of time in the gym or are you generally more sporty?**

I spend a lot of time at the gym not just to stay in shape, but to release stress.

**Who would be your perfect man?**

My perfect man would be hard working, understanding, honest and someone I can communicate with.

**Where do your talents lie?**

I play the piano. Actually been playing since I was 8 years old.

**Are you one of those girls who love the beach, or one of those who are perpetually afraid of getting a tan?**

I live at the beach in Malibu, so I love the sun. I always run on the beach all the time.

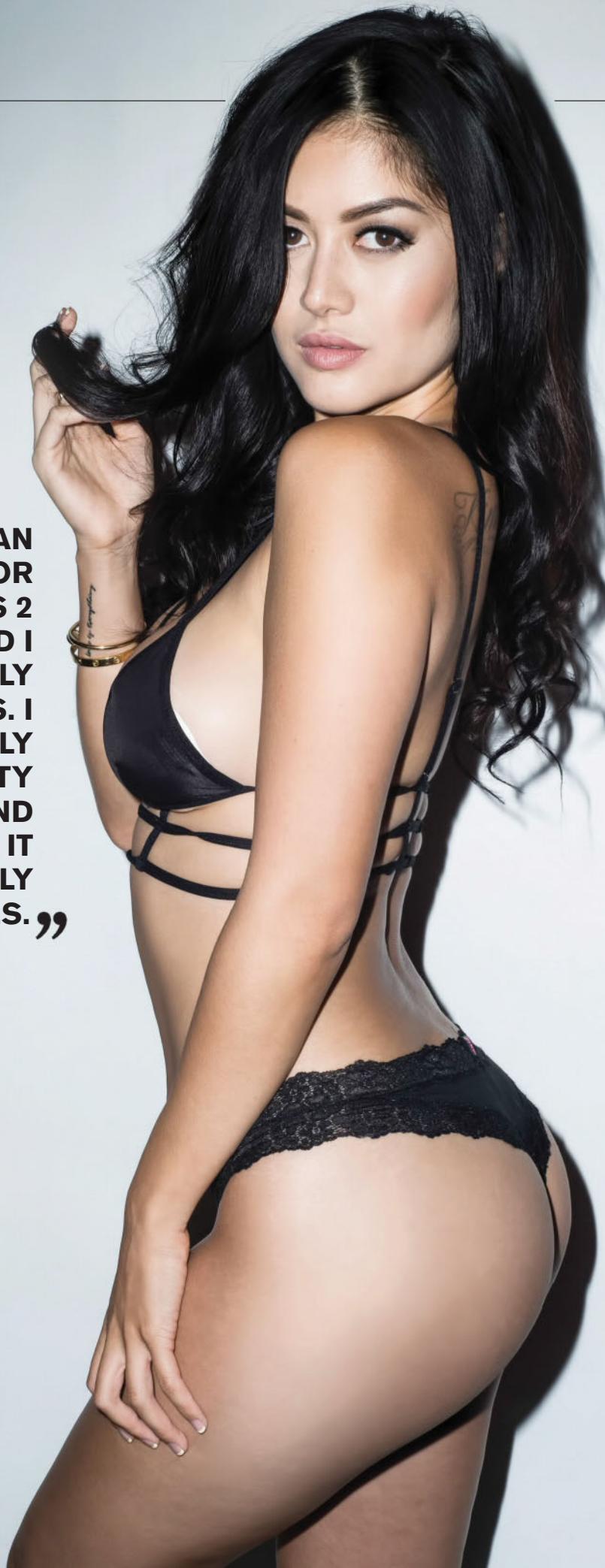
**Are you aware of the effect you have on men?**

I am aware, especially with all the photos I have online. But little do people know I'm the complete opposite of my pictures. I love wearing comfortable clothes and I'm just a regular down to earth girl.

**When did all the attention start?**

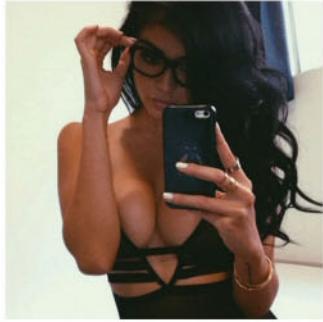
It all started when I was 18. I've been published by many FHMs all over the world, so I got a lot of attention on the internet. But I'm used to it.

**“ I WENT FOR AN AUDITION FOR TRANSFOMERS 2 MOVIE AND I COMPLETELY FORGOT MY LINES. I WAS ACTUALLY PRETTY EMBARRASSED AND UPSET BECAUSE IT WAS LITERALLY TWO SENTENCES. ”**





## 📸 KIM LEE'S LIFE THIS MONTH



She's crushing on geeky glasses these days



Proof where the banging body comes from



Another Selfie! This time with a nose ring. Working?



Group photo. Filter. V signs. Check. Check. Check.

# THE FINAL COUNTDOWN

## EIGHT THINGS FROM YOUR LIFE THAT YOUR GRANDAD WOULD FIND INSANE



### 08

#### YOUR MANSCAPING

The only way your grandad would ever have put a pair of scissors near his boy-garden would be if he had somehow managed to get his pubes irreversibly trapped in the zip of his Sunday-best slacks. You've seen the photos; he barely used to keep his ear hair under control, never mind his unruly penis-wig.

### 07

#### YOUR LA-DEE-DAH TASTES

It was in 1983 that your grandad became aware that wine was available in either

red, white, or 'both' (in other words, rosé), and that was the last thing he ever learned about wine, or ever felt like he needed to. If he could see you, carefully prowling a wine aisle like an earnest sommelier from

a Michelin-starred restaurant, well, he'd be very proud indeed. Either that, or he'd call you a big mincing dandy. Could go either way.

### 06

#### YOUR VIRTUAL MATE

You probably have at least one person you'd consider a mate who you've never actually met in the flesh – maybe it's a colleague in another branch who you regularly communicate with via bantz-filled emails, or maybe it's a friend of a friend who you wound up befriending on Facebook. It's fair to say your grandad would find that confusing. "But, it's just like having a pen pal!" you could protest. "Oh, I had a pen pal..." Grandad might reply. "When I was bloody seven!" Alright, Grandad. Christ.

to tell him your news. "I got 23 retweets and 41 favourites when I sent SRK the winking devil emoji with the hashtag #FTW after he and Salman hugged at Arpita's wedding!" Seriously, you may as well be speaking in Turkish.

### 03

#### YOUR SELFIE TAKING

Your grandad probably felt horribly self-conscious even getting passport photos done, so the fact that you're completely at ease snapping away at yourself – in the pub, on holiday, at festivals, in the mirror – would cave his liver-spotted head in. And as for taking a photo of a burger, a pint, a pair of trainers or ("Gawd 'elp us!") your own erect penis... Well, that's definitely not the kind of thing he used to point his Kodak Brownie at.

### 01

#### YOUR HYPERSPEED DATING

Explain the concept of Tinder to an old man and watch as two conflicting thoughts battle it out inside his brain: 1) "Oh for goodness sake, the world really is going to Hell in a handcart!", and 2) "I wish I'd been born 50 years later – I'd be sat here right now, swiping my finger back and forth across this Tinder malarky. These kids don't know they're born..."

### 04

#### YOUR DIGITAL CONVERSATIONS

Try to explain social media communication to most people over 70 and they'll simply stare back at you in baffled revulsion. "Guess what, Grandad!" you exclaim, eager



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